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## MARKING TIME IN FAR EAST

### Japanese Occupation Proceeding

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#### ONE HUGE HORROR

"This war is the thirstiest of all wars. We thirst for so much as one hour without the noise of battle, for a strip of summer road which does not smell of burning and death."

This extract from a German soldier's letter, written from the eastern front, is quoted by the Berlin correspondent of the Zurich newspaper "Bund."

"But all this is trifling besides the thirst for water to drink and wash in. This is the worst war Germany has had to fight."

"It is a war to win or perish against soldiers who fight with desperate obstinacy, even in hopeless situations."

THE WRITER SUMMARISES IN ONE SENTENCE: "WAR IN RUSSIA, MORE THAN ANY WHERE ELSE, IS ONE HUGE HORROR."—REUTER.

#### BEGINNING OF END

Mr. Wendell Willkie, in an interview in Chicago yesterday, expressed the opinion that if the Russians held out until September it would mark the beginning of the end of Hitler.

He believed then that Germany's defeat would be more rapid than most people expected, assuming that the Russians stopped the Nazi drive.—Reuter.

#### BATTLE OF ATLANTIC

DISCUSSIONS WHICH MAY HAVE FAR-REACHING EFFECTS UPON THE MANY ASPECTS OF THE BATTLE OF THE ATLANTIC HAVE BEEN COMPLETED BETWEEN THE BRITISH ADMIRALTY AND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CANADIAN NAVY DEPARTMENT. IT WAS AUTHORITATIVELY LEARNED IN LONDON YESTERDAY.

Canada plans to have a naval personnel totalling nearly 25,000 before the end of the year, manning 250 vessels.

It is understood that complete agreement was reached on all points.—Reuter.

## No Soft-Pedal On Programme Of Economic War

WHILE JAPANESE OCCUPATION OF MILITARY, NAVAL AND AIR BASES IN SOUTHERN INDO-CHINA IS PROCEEDING RAPIDLY TO TIME SCHEDULE, THERE HAS BEEN NO FURTHER IMPORTANT DEVELOPMENT IN THE FAR EAST SITUATION.

#### JAPANESE SHIPS BANNED IN AUSTRALIA

Licences for Japanese ships to load at Australian ports have been withdrawn, according to shipping companies in Sydney, says Reuter.

## NAZI INTRIGUE EXPOSED

In connection with the seizure of pseudo-diplomatic parcels in Buenos Aires, Reuter learns that the text of the secret message found hidden in the German wireless transmitter is:—

"TO LA PAZ. IF IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO LEAVE LIMA YOU MUST OBEY STRICTLY ORDERS RECEIVED AT THE MEETING OF AMBASSADORS AT SANTIAGO."

The message was decoded by Argentine Army code experts.

It is recalled that the German Minister at La Paz last week was asked to leave Bolivia for his part in the plot to overthrow the Government.

Some months ago all German ambassadors and ministers in South America held a secret meeting at Santiago which it is believed was held in connection with a uniform policy throughout South America.—Reuter.

In Washington, however, it is anticipated that further steps may be announced with President Roosevelt's return to the White House, while Mr. Sumner Welles has repudiated the suggestion that economic sanctions against Japan might be watered down to meaninglessness.

The Acting Secretary of State, Mr. Sumner Welles, told his press conference in Washington yesterday the U.S. had given no assurance to Japan that licences would be issued to permit continued trading.

Explaining that clearance would be given to Japanese ships leaving U.S. ports under present conditions, he said individual licences would be required for every transaction involving Japanese cargoes.

This also affected the purchase of food, fuel and any other goods required by Japanese ships in U.S. ports.

Asked whether Japan had been given an assurance that these licences would be issued, Mr. Welles emphatically declared no such promise had been given.

#### N.E.I. Oil Position

Regarding Japanese reports of the abrogation of the 1940 Petroleum Agreement, it was authoritatively stated in Batavia yesterday that there is no such agreement.

A CERTAIN AGREEMENT WAS CONCLUDED BETWEEN THE OIL COMPANIES WHICH, HOWEVER, SINCE MONDAY LOST ITS EFFECT OWING TO THE DOLLAR PAYMENT CLAUSE.

#### "Limited" Scope

The Franco-Japanese protocol providing the joint defence of Indo-China, recognises that a threat to Indo-China would endanger Japan and East Asia.

It renews earlier pledges to respect Indo-China sovereignty and to refrain from anti-Japanese involvements.

Both parties agree: First, to a mutual promise of military cooperation in the joint defence of Indo-China.

Second, special arrangements for such cooperation. Thirdly, these stipulations are

## ANKARA PLEDGE RUMOURS

There are persistent rumours in diplomatic circles in Ankara that the Soviet Union will give Turkey a renewed assurance that Russia has no ambitious or aspirations regarding any position on Turkish territory.

Rumours add that the assurances will take the form of a personal letter from Stalin to President Inönü.

Any such development will do much to improve Soviet-Turkish relations, removing the suspicions created by Hitler and Ribbentrop.

Further, a rapprochement between the Soviet Union and Turkey would tend to strengthen Turkey's strategical position, enabling her to give undivided attention to defending herself in the West.

Turkish and Soviet official sources, however, both deny any knowledge of such a move.—Reuter.

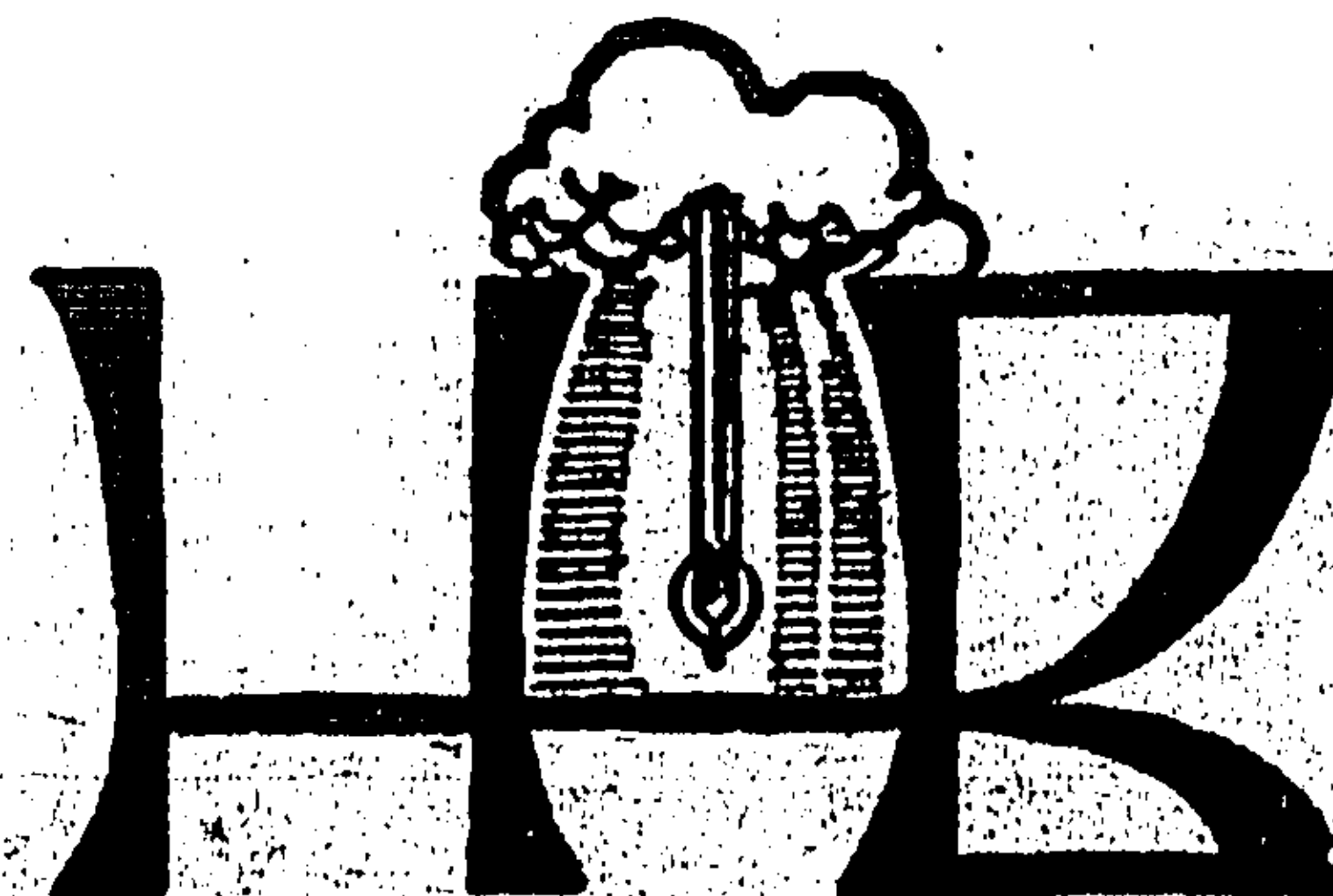
#### NO WITHDRAWAL FROM CANTON

Contrary to Chinese reports from Hong Kong, there is no sign of the withdrawal of Japanese civilians from Canton, says a Reuter Special message from the Kwangtung capital.

#### Camranh Bay

Japanese troops of occupation have begun to instal themselves at Camranh Bay, says a Reuter message from Saigon.

HAVE AN H.B.—



—AND THEN TRY!



# REPLY TO ARMS DRIVE CRITICS

## Mr. Churchill's Survey In The Commons

### After-Dunkirk Effort Surpassed

DEALING WITH THE situation in armaments filling factories, the Prime Minister, in his statement in the House of Commons yesterday on war production, said the position was not as it was in the last war, when there had to be an intense effort to feed the guns from day to day.

We were piling up satisfactory reserves with no immediate outflow.

Coming to the more general charges of slackness and inefficiency in factories, voiced in the recent debate, Mr. Churchill quoted Sir J. S. Wardlaw-Milne, who said Britain was only working up to 75 per cent. of its possible efficiency.

THIS SENTENCE, SAID MR. CHURCHILL, HAD BEEN WRESTED FROM ITS CONTEXT. IT WAS SERIOUS WHEN IT WAS BROADCAST APART FROM ITS CONTEXT.

He had to think of its effect in Australia, where party politics were pursued with robust detachment.

#### Brunt Of Fighting

Australian troops were bearing with great distinction much of the brunt of the fighting in the Middle East and it must have been very painful to Australia to be told that Britain was only making a three-quarters effort to put the proper weapons in their hands.

IN AMERICA SUCH A STATEMENT WAS MEAT AND DRINK TO THE ISOLATIONISTS.

Americans were asked to pay higher taxes, to give up food, to alter their daily lives, to reduce their holidays and to go without pleasures of all kinds, in order to help Britain, and they were told on what seemed to them to be a high British authority that Britain was only making a three-quarters effort to help herself.

WHAT WAS IMPORTANT WAS WHETHER THIS STATEMENT WAS TRUE.

#### Of What?

Two questions arose: whether it was 75 per cent. and 75 per cent. of what?

Mr. Churchill proceeded: "I take a datum line of three months after Dunkirk, when our people worked to the utmost limit of their powers—men fell exhausted at their lathes and working men and women did not take off their clothes for a week at a time."

"ARE WE WORKING AT ONLY 75 PER CENT. OF THAT?"

"There are a few reasons why we cannot maintain indefinitely the intensive personal effort of a year ago."

"If we are to win this war, and I feel solidly convinced that we shall, it will be largely by staying power. For that purpose there must be one day in seven of rest as a general rule, and there must be one week's holiday yearly. "We have relaxed to that extent since Dunkirk: if we had not done so we should have had a serious crash."

#### Diet Problems

"Next, allowance must be made for the very severe change in diet of heavy manual workers, which is far less stimulating than a year ago."

"Except for our fighting services we have been driven back to a large extent from the carnivorous to the herbivorous which may be satisfactory to dietetic scientists, who would like to make us all live on nuts, but it has produced a definite effect on the output of heavy workers."

"We want meat in mines and foundries, and more cheese."

Why should that gratify Lord Haw-Haw?

"Will Lord Haw-Haw also bear in mind the statement of Mr. Hopkins the other day of the intent of the United States to see that our people get food and to keep the sea lanes secure by which food can be brought."

#### Great Arrangements

"I know the great arrangements that have been made to send us food in variety and more interesting qualities (cheers) so I do not think I need be told I am helping Lord Haw-Haw."

"If he never gets any more consolation than he gets from me (laughter) his luck will be as hard as his deserts."

"Every effort is being made to supplement food, and I share the hope of the Ministers of Food and Agriculture that our diet in 1942 will be more stimulating and energising than that of 1941."

"I wish it to be known all over the United States how encouraging is their action."

#### Dilution And Dispersal

Mr. Churchill also referred to dilution.

He proceeded: "It is estimated that one-third more people are working on war industries than a year ago. Many of them are trainees and dilutees."

"It would not be wonderful if they failed to preserve the same level of output per pair of human hands than that achieved by skilled craftsmen a year or 18 months ago."

"Then there are the air raids, by which the Germans expected to smash our resisting powers. There were extraordinary blitzes at our ports and manufacturing centres, restrictions of the black-out, interruption and delays of transportation, which all played their delaying and dislocating part."

"The remedy and counter-measures, proposed and carried through when possible with such extreme vigour by the Supply Department, with Lord Beaverbrook, as Minister of Aircraft Production, in the van, took the form of dispersal."

"This is a matter of life and death to the aircraft industry."

#### 45 Sub-Centres

"A great British firm was dispersed into 45 sub-centres. I can give instances of dispersion to 20, 30 or 40 sub-centres."

"All this was achieved at the cost of production but it has placed us in a position, when we paid the cost, where we are immune from mortal damage to our aircraft production and in other branches of munitions from enemy air raids."

"Workpeople may have to be moved from their homes, plant may have to be shifted, and domestic affairs have somehow to be adjusted, often at great sacrifice or hardship."

"It is a marvel what has been done to overcome these grievous and novel difficulties. (Cheers)"

"DESPITE ALL TROUBLES THE MINISTRY OF SUPPLY OUTPUT IN THE LAST THREE MONTHS HAS BEEN ONE-THIRD GREATER THAN IN THE THREE MONTHS OF THE DUNKIRK PERIOD."

### BADGE FOR WOUNDED

A badge for those invalidated from the Navy, Army and Air Force, the Merchant Navy and Fishing Fleet, through wounds or disablement attributable to service since September 3, 1939, has been approved by the King.

To be known as the King's Badge, it will consist of the Royal and Imperial Cypher, surmounted by a crown and surrounded by a circular band bearing the inscription: "For Loyal Service."

Mr. Percy Metcalfe, C.V.O., has carried out the design. The badge is in diameter and of white metal. It will have a buttonhole attachment for men and a brooch for women.

The distribution will be carried out by the Ministry of Pensions and the badge will be issued automatically to those entitled to it.

### AGGRESSIVE PATROLS

AS LOCAL CONDITIONS WERE UNFAVOURABLE OUR OFFENSIVE PATROLS FROM TOBRUK CARRIED OUT ONLY LIMITED OPERATIONS DURING THE NIGHT OF JULY 27/28, SAYS YESTERDAY'S CAIRO COMMUNIQUE.

"In the frontier area, as a result of our aggressive activities, enemy counter-patrolling has temporarily increased both in numbers and in the areas covered."

In one successful clash on Monday one of our patrols captured some German prisoners together with two mechanical transport vehicles and two motorcycles. — Reuter.

### C.N.A.C. FARES

The China National Aviation Corporation and the Eurasia Aviation Corporation, it is learned, have obtained permission to charge a 50 per cent. increase in fares on the Chungking-Hong Kong, Chungking-Kunming, Chungking-Lashio, Chungking-Rangoon and Kunming-Rangoon runs, beginning on August 1. The Chungking-Kweilin and the Chungking-Chengtu fares remain unchanged, and it is learned that no decision has been made regarding the fares for passengers coming to China from Hong Kong or Rangoon. — Central News.

### ASKED FOR WORK -- SHE GOT SACK

After five weeks sitting about and gossiping all the time, a woman trainee at a Government factory in South Wales went to the management and asked for some work. She was sacked.

The case of this woman, and a number of others, in the factory who have had little or no work to do, is to be raised in the House of Commons by Mr. Ness Edwards, M.P. for Caerphilly, South Wales.

He told the "Daily Mirror": "The woman who was sacked is a widow who answered the appeal for women to help the war effort, and went to an employment exchange to get a job, as a Government trainee."

### HITLER'S STAR ON THE WANE

Speaking on a nationwide hook-up, the National Broadcasting Corporation commentator, Kaltenborn, declared: "In the past six weeks Hitler has done his best and his shown his best, and from now on he is a declining star." — Reuter.

### CAIRO AIR ALARM

AIR ALARMS WERE SOUNDED IN CAIRO AND MOST OF THE DELTA PROVINCES IN THE EARLY HOURS OF YESTERDAY MORNING, STATES AN OFFICIAL CAIRO COMMUNIQUE.

Cairo's A.A. defences were in action. Three bombs fell in one of the

### LYSANDER TO THE RESCUE

MILITARY UNITS ARE MOST ENTHUSIASTIC IN THEIR PRAISE FOR THE R.A.F. ARMY COOPERATION SQUADRONS.

The little party of Aussies who sent a "round robin" of thanks to the Lysander pilot who helped them at Gharabub, were undoubtedly prompted by sincere gratitude. They had become separated from the main attacking force and were undergoing withering fire from an enemy outpost.

The position was perilous since their comrades did not know of their difficulty. Things looked black, until a corporal hit upon the bright idea of signalling their whereabouts to the R.A.F. reconnaissance aircraft which was spotting for the artillery. This they did by flashing a hand mirror in the sun.

Very soon the pilot caught the flash and acted quickly. In a short time he had scribbled a note, giving the party's position and had dropped it on a battery of Australian field guns.

The enemy outpost was speedily silenced, and the stranded Aussies were relieved.

provinces and in the desert but there were no casualties or damage. — Reuter.

### "IT'S A GRAND LIFE"

SECOND PILOT is at the writing table, sprawling over the notepaper, the cigarette in his left hand almost singeing his fair, straight hair as his head bends low. Rear Gunner from over by the fireplace jerks a glance in his direction, says: "John's writing to Ann. You know, the W.A.A.F. officer from Girton."

Someone—it sounds like the station's youngest D.F.C. deep down in his leather chair—suggests it can't be Ann because she was last seen having tea with a Wing Commander, which everybody knows is not true, but it sets them laughing.

In any case they are quite wrong, because Pilot Officer Johnny is writing to his mother. His letter (if he cared to show it) begins: "Dearest Mum—As you'll have read in the papers we are all busy just now. I'd like to tell you about our last trip, but I mustn't, except that we knocked the old Hun about pretty considerably. We dropped our stuff where it was labelled for, and that's what matters most. How is Aunt Beatrice and her silly Pekinese? We have a fellow in our crew who always reminds me of Aunt B's peke."

Johnny is referring to Observer, a fierce-looking, broad-shouldered little main with eyes that bulge slightly. At this moment he is challenging Navigator from another squadron to a game of snooker, and they move off to the billiards room.

Tall, slim Rear Gunner, whose legs look too long for the cramped space in which he has to work, accepts a cigarette from an Intelligence Officer, and they talk about the weather.

In another corner the station medical officer—"Doc"—to them all—reads a detective story. It's rumoured around the mess that unless Doc gets some work to do very soon he is going to have a nervous breakdown; but Doc looks too cheery and well-fed to worry about the lack of illness among the bomber crews.

The ante-room in the officers' mess is beginning to fill up. Some have returned from a practice flight, and have something to say about the performance of their aircraft. The noise they make awakens two sleepers over by the windows, still tired from their last night's Berlin adventure.

"We could beat a Messerschmitt on one engine," says one of the newcomers.

"Who's that shooting a line?" shouts somebody at the other end of the room. "Shooting a line" is the R.A.F. term for what civilians might

call a tall story, or anything that savours of boastfulness. The squadrons on this station have "Line" books in which the offenders' names are entered and fines recorded.

Soon it will be time for afternoon tea and W.A.A.F. and Stewards will be busy serving these boisterous young men with bread and jam and cakes, and refilling large cups. Not all of them are boisterous. Some sit alone, serious-faced, as if meditating.

Now and then they look up at the sky through the windows, not so much anxiously as critically. Will there be "ops" to-night? The clouds are lowering; it has begun to rain. Those whose turn it will be to take up their gigantic bombers to-night are speculating about the target.

"I'd like a change from Lorient," says one pilot who has taken his bomber over the submarine base many times.

"Ops" says a Navigator, with moustache as large as the wings over his breast pocket, "are off to-night."

He is guessing. Nobody knows for certain.

The Station Commander comes into the ante-room. They all stand. He chats with several of them around the fireplace, then in twos and threes they wander away to tea. The Adjutant, the Administrative Officer, officers from the operations and intelligence rooms follow them. Bomber engines are still roaring away in the hangars on the edge of the airfield. The weather is worse: "Ops" are unlikely.

Pilot Officer Johnny is finishing his letter: "So don't worry Mum. It's a grand life, and there are the best fellows here you could wish to meet. I wish I could tell you about the new bombers. They're super. If you felt about flying as I do you would never need to worry about me. Love to all of you, and Aunt B."

He joins his squadron at tea.



# Depth Charges By American Destroyer Off Greenland

## COL. KNOX'S DISCLOSURE

A U.S. SENATE NAVAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE REPORT, RELEASED IN WASHINGTON YESTERDAY, MADE A DRAMATIC REVELATION.

It quoted the Navy Secretary, Col. Frank Knox, as testifying that the captain of a United States destroyer dropped three depth charges off the coast of Greenland, believing he was in possible danger of attack from a submarine.

Col. Knox's testimony was contained in a report by the Committee which recommended that no further investigation should be made of newspaper reports of "shooting" by American naval units in the Atlantic and of the conveying of British merchantmen.

"One U.S. destroyer operating off Greenland heard the S.O.S. of a steamer, proceeded to the location and picked up 60 of the survivors of the steamer."

Col. Knox is quoted as saying: "While engaged in this act of mercy, the operator of the listening equipment reported to the captain that he thought he heard a submerged submarine."

"The captain immediately turned towards the direction indicated and dropped three depth charges."

### Self-Preservation

"In doing this he very prudently exercised the right of self-preservation, for had there been a submarine there, his destroyer might have been sunk."

"There was no other evidence that the submarine was there and it is quite possible no submarine was there."

"THE LISTENING EQUIPMENT ECHO MIGHT HAVE BEEN RECEIVED FROM A WHALE OR LARGE FISH OR A COLD CURRENT INSTEAD OF A SUBMARINE—SOMETHING WHICH IS FREQUENTLY EXPERIENCED."

"None of them knew whether there was a submarine there or not but the man in command did what any man would do on the verge of attack by a submarine. He would do it in self-defence."—Reuter.

## WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

The other day an R.A.F.V.R. Flight Lieutenant was visiting a squadron outside his own Group. It was No. 115 Bomber Squadron, in which he served during the last war. The visit started memories, and a hunt was made through old papers, where the Flight Lieutenant found a forgotten souvenir. It was a picture postcard of the village church at Rambervillers, in Alsace-Lorraine.

The Flight Lieutenant and his friends had gathered in a cafe at Rambervillers to celebrate the defeat of Bulgaria. They each signed the postcard. Madame Viols, the owner of the cafe, also signed it.

At the end of the war the squadron was dispersed, and the friends who met in the cafe lost touch with one another. Now the Flight Lieutenant is wondering whether any of those who signed the card are, like himself, in uniform again. Their signatures are: E. D. Howells (Manchester); F. P. Longworth (Lancashire); S. L. Seaton (Grimsby); J. S. Singleton (Bolton); George McNeil (Paisley); A. McConochie (Dumfries); G. Tucknott (Norwood, London); A. Wheeler (Cambridge); D. O. M. Carney (Darlington).

There is one other, L. Langstaff, who is known to be now a jeweller at Whitehaven, Cumberland.

## AMERICAN DESTROYER'S DEPTH CHARGES

A U.S. Senate Naval Affairs Committee report, released yesterday, declared: "The Secretary of Navy, Col. Frank Knox, testifying, said a United States destroyer dropped three depth charges off the coast of Greenland when it believed it was in possible danger of attack."—Reuter.

## FOOD EXPERT FED UP

Telling why he resigned the post of Director of Canned Food Supplies, Mr. Dan Tobey said at Liverpool Chamber of Commerce:—

"I regularly pressed the suggestion at the Ministry that canned food traders should be licensed, to stop profiteering."

"An official once told me: 'We don't put up our umbrellas before the rain begins to fall.'"

"This is typical of the outlook of many in responsible positions. Until it is altered this war will drag on and on."

He said it had taken the Ministry two years to get to the point of considering the licensing suggestion. He wondered how long it would take them actually to issue licences.

The Liverpool Chamber endorsed the London Chamber of Commerce's call to license traders.

## ALIENS WILL WORK FOR US

Men and women of nine nationalities—Germans and Italians, as well as Allies—are to be drafted into Britain's war effort.

The Ministry of Labour will carry out an industrial registration of men between sixteen and sixty-five and women between sixteen and fifty here who are Belgian, Czechoslovak, French, Dutch, Norwegian, Polish, Austrian, German or Italian.

Diplomats, merchant seamen and men and women in the armed forces will be excluded. The orders for Austrians, Germans and Italians will not apply to prisoners of war and internees.



A tug-of-war with a piece of wreckage when clearing debris from a wrecked building in London.

## SUSPENSION OF RELATIONS WITH FINLAND

NORMAL DIPLOMATIC conditions between Finland and Britain have actually been suspended, says a Finnish Foreign Office statement in Helsinki yesterday.

According to the Finnish Foreign Office, when the Finnish aide memoire was handed on Monday to the British Minister, Mr. Vereker, the Finnish Foreign Minister, M. Witting, further intimated that as a result of the total blockade imposed on Finland's foreign trade since June, normal diplomatic conditions between Finland and Britain had actually been suspended.

Conditions had compelled Finland to join Germany as a co-belligerent while Britain had concluded a military alliance with Russia.

In view of these facts normal diplomatic relations could scarcely be maintained without complications.

This opinion was evidently shared by Britain, judging from the recent statement in the Commons that relations could be broken off at any time.

On the strength of these conditions, Finland decided that the Finnish Legation in London should suspend its activities and would be grateful to know whether the British held the same views in relation to the British Legation's activities in Helsinki.

—Reuter.

## POSITION EXPLAINED

IT WAS MADE CLEAR THIS MORNING THAT THERE IS NO CONNECTION BETWEEN LANE, CRAWFORD, LIMITED, HONG KONG, AND THE FIRM MENTIONED IN THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT'S FREEZING ORDER.

The company referred to in that order is Lane, Crawford, Company, of Kobe. This concern was originally a branch of Hong Kong, which established branches in Shanghai, Yokohama and Kobe during the period 1850-1905. These branches were sold to other interests many years ago and have now no connection with Lane, Crawford, Limited, Hong Kong.

## PRICE CONTROL IN UNITED STATES

President Roosevelt to-day will ask Congress to agree to price control legislation, according to Congressional leaders after a conference with the President yesterday, says Reuter from Washington.

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## ALLEGED PRIVILEGES

MR. DUNCAN SANDYS, THE NEW FINANCIAL SECRETARY TO THE WAR OFFICE, WAS ASKED IN THE COMMONS YESTERDAY WHY ITALIAN OFFICERS AMONG ITALIAN WAR PRISONERS WERE BEING RELEASED TO ATTEND SOCIAL FUNCTIONS IN CAIRO AND IF HE WOULD STOP IT AT ONCE.

Mr. Sandys said that if Mr. Mander (the questioner) would give him particulars he would look into the matter.

Mr. Sandys added that Italian prisoners, including the Duke of Aosta, were given no special facilities other than available for German prisoners although there were minor differences depending on privileges allowed to British prisoners in Germany and Italy.

—Reuter.





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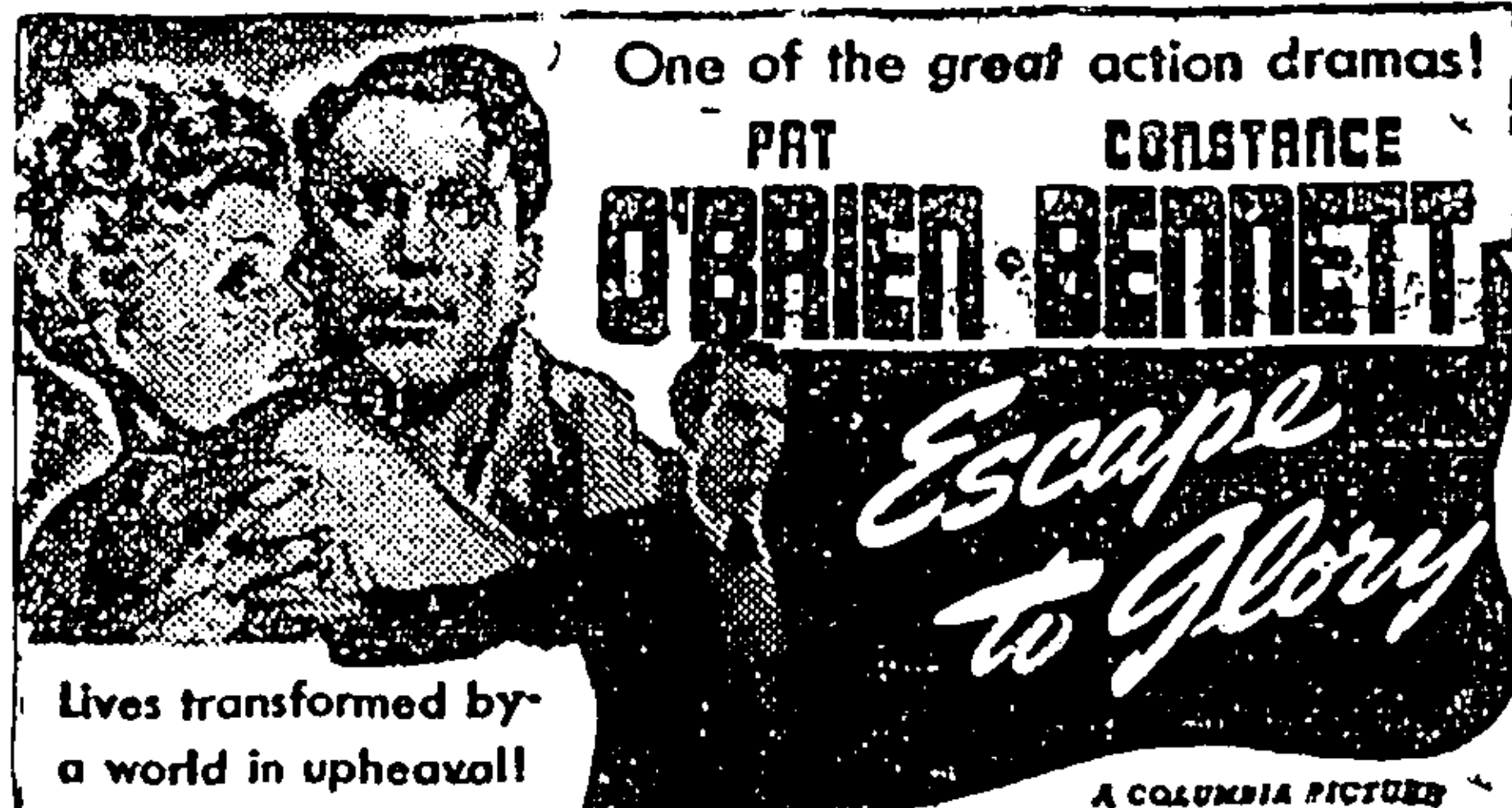
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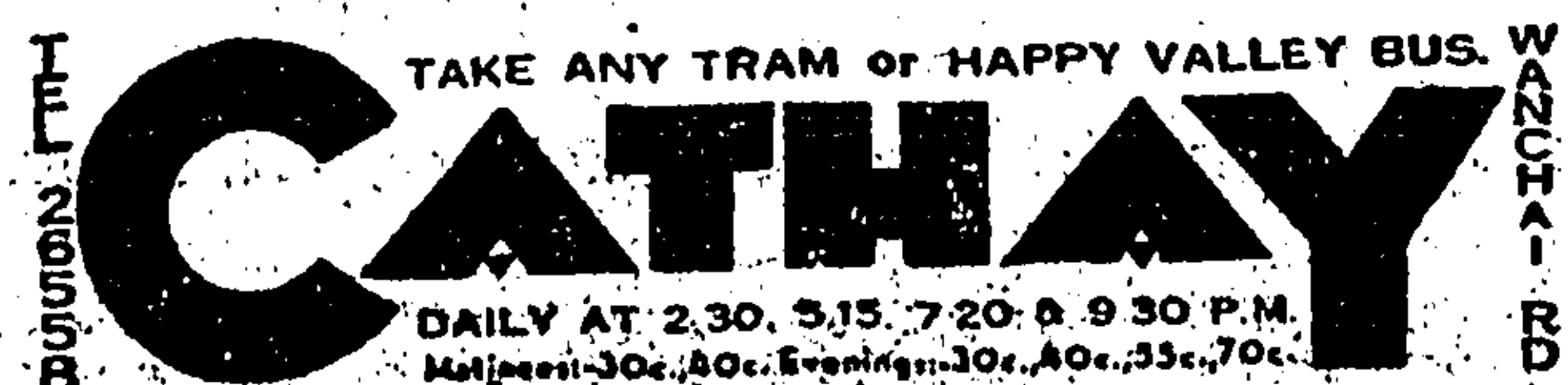
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# R.A.F. PLAYS HAVOC WITH ITALIAN AIR FORCE IN SICILY

LAST NIGHT'S R.A.F. Middle East communique in Cairo stated that highly successful attacks were carried out on Monday by R.A.F. aircraft on enemy aerodromes in the island of Sicily.

Thirty-four enemy aircraft of various types were destroyed. Many others were damaged and a number of casualties were inflicted on aerodrome personnel during the operations, which were carried out by our aircraft without loss to themselves.

## PILOTS' PACE REQUIRES AIR TAXIS

The technique of delivering aircraft from factories to Royal Air Force fields in Great Britain has become so efficient that pilots of the Air Transport Auxiliary, the organisation distributing the 'planes, now are taken in aerial taxis, dropped off at factory airports to pick up 'planes and then met by a "taxi" at the delivery point according to a timetable as strictly adhered to as that of a commercial air line operating in peace time.

Once an organisation to which was allotted only two small sheds, the auxiliary now operates from eleven large aerodromes, each with a staff buildings larger than most R.A.F. stations. Hundreds of men, either too old for operational service or physically unfit for the R.A.F., and more than a score of women are carrying on the important work at these "pools."

The pilots are classified and assigned to fly light aircraft, single-engined fighters and trainer 'planes, light twin-engined machines, heavy twin-engined bombers, such as Wellingtons, or the heavier bombers such as Stirlings, Manchesters and Halifaxes.

However, many of the pilots fly all types, and some can fly as many as eighty types of machines. Women, to their disappointment, are permitted to fly only trainer aircraft, whereas many have a burning desire to put a hard-hitting Spitfire or Hurricane through its paces.

A.T.A. headquarters have meteorological laboratories where hourly weather forecasts for the entire country are made available. In another secret room the position of every balloon barrage in the country is posted.

In one room at headquarters men are in constant touch with the factories to find out how many aircraft are ready for delivery. On the walls of these rooms are the names of the pilots, what types of 'planes they fly and where they are.

Thus pilots can be sent off at a moment's notice. Usually, however, they report at 8 a.m. and within twenty minutes, if the weather is good, they all have left by "taxi" to pick up aircraft and put them down at destination points.

Despite the fact that many American airmen have come to England and entered the A.T.A., there is still a shortage of pilots for this important task. Among the Americans who have joined the A.T.A. are a commercial airline pilot and a nineteen-year-old college undergraduate.

At Catania, four Macchi 200's, six S79's and one Junkers 52 were destroyed. Several Macchi fighters and trainer biplanes were also damaged.

At Syracuse, seven Cant Z601 (flylightboats) were destroyed and a number of the same type damaged.

At Marsala, on the western extremity of the island, seven Cant Z501's were destroyed and a number of others damaged; at Borizzo landing ground, near Trapani, nine S79's were destroyed and about 25 of the landing ground staff killed by the attack.

## Benghazi Raid

R.A.F. bombers attacked a loaded schooner in the central Mediterranean on Monday and left it in a sinking condition.

Heavy bombers again attacked Benghazi harbour during the night of July 27/28. Bombs were dropped from a low altitude and caused fires and explosions on the mole.

From all these operations our aircraft returned safely.—Reuter.

## CIGARETTES FOR SWASTIKAS

A SHORT TIME AGO A PHOTOGRAPH WAS PUBLISHED OF AN R.A.F. FIGHTER PILOT STANDING BESIDE THE BLADE OF AN AIRSCREW FROM A WRECKED NAZI AIRCRAFT. THE BLADE WAS ALMOST COVERED WITH SMALL SWASTIKAS, REPRESENTING THE NUMBER OF ENEMY AIRCRAFT BROUGHT DOWN BY THE PILOT'S SQUADRON.

The sequel to the publication of the picture was a letter addressed to the Air Ministry asking for the pilot's name and address. The writer expressed her admiration for what the pilot and his squadron had done, and said she would like to send him a gift of cigarettes.

The information has been forwarded to the writer, and it is hoped that the cigarettes have now reached their destination and been appreciated.

## FIRST FLIGHT IN "TWINS"

The evolution of an ex-civilian into a war-time pilot is marked by many minor experiences—first loop, first slow roll, first cross-country flight with a landing at another aerodrome—and by those less intentional experiences—first time lost, first forced landing, and so forth.

But the two most important landmarks of all are: first solo flight in an elementary trainer, and first solo in a twin-engined type (when the pupil pilot has been chosen for "twins.")

To progress from an elementary biplane to a twin-engined aircraft is in a way like learning to drive in an open baby Austin and then being invited to take the wheel of a powerful four-gear limousine.

There is the same sense of sheltered speed in both, of enormous power, plus a feeling of omnipotence and celestial solitude.

The first problem of the pupil on going on to twins is, naturally enough, the instrument panel. This is twice as crowded as in an elementary trainer, although quite bare when compared with a big bomber's.

Still, there are enough instruments to be going on with. A dozen at least must be consulted on the shortest flight. And there is also the under-carriage to be raised and lowered, and flaps and mixture control which must not be forgotten.

Once in the air, however, with the aircraft properly trimmed, the pilot can fly "hands off" and enjoy himself. There is a superb view all round, with no engine in front to block the vision; no wings above to shut off an inch of that "tent of blue." And below, the countryside, greener every day now, sweeps past at a speed which, to the newcomer, conjures up thoughts of the flying carpet.

But pupil pilots under training do not for long forget their ultimate aim, which has little to do with *fantasy*. Their days are occupied with flying and attending lectures, *scrapping* with engines and radio, bomb-sights and machine-guns, and all that they entail.

And by the time they get their "wings" and pass on from twins to fully grown-up aeroplanes they will be competent to do one or two other things as well as fly.

## Landlord Took Away The Doors

A soldier's wife and her three children are living in a Purley, Surrey, house which lacks front and back doors. And it isn't bomb damage.

The landlord took out the doors because the rent is in arrears. He took part of the grate away, too.

He is Mr. Frederick Betts, an elderly owner, lives in Haydon Avenue, Purley, in a big detached house almost overlooking the doorless home.

"I do this with all my tenants who get into arrears," he said, "landlord came a month ago with 'It is much better than summing a person in the County Court and taking their furniture.' I am sorry about the woman and the children, but even if they paid what they owed me I would not return the doors, as I think the children should have moved out to a safer house."

"I have already been fined in a similar case this week," but I am appealing to the High Court," said the soldier's wife, Mrs. Millicent Richard, who lives at Old Lodge Lane, Purley. "The landlord came a month ago with 'It is much better than summing a person in the County Court and taking their furniture.' The landlord said he'd come back for the window."



MUTT AND JEFF



# £500,000 A DAY FROM POOREST

The poorest families — whose savings do not figure in the account books of the "Big Five" banks — are contributing £500,000 a day to the cost of the war—in addition to the taxes they pay.

This money is being subscribed by people without banking accounts. The figures were revealed with details of War Weapons Weeks collections.

Three hundred and twenty cities, towns, villages and groups of villages aimed at subscribing a little over £50,000,000. They raised more than £104,000,000.

## Seven Times Over

Shaftesbury, Dorsetshire, with a population of 2,366, aimed at £15,000. They raised £117,116, or £49 per head. For every £1 they expected to raise they collected £7 16s.

Britain is not paying only through War Weapons Weeks or through taxation. From January to April more than £509,656,318 was saved or lent to the Government.

# GERMANS PLUNDERING IN VANQUISHED FRANCE

CRUELTY, BRIBERY and plundering have followed the German army of occupation into vanquished France.

Information which has just reached London by way of New York shows the extent to which the superficially correct and disciplined behaviour of the modern German soldiers is just clever showmanship, covering the old German instincts for pillaging and looting, cunning, treachery and bad faith.

An American observer says: "France is being drained by its victors. Practically no house, large or small, has been spared from theft. Of ransacking and plundering they make almost a science, so thorough and methodical are these modern gangsters."

"The Germans have taken from the country 70,000 railway wagons. Lack of transport material is the essential cause of the present food shortage, a situation which the Germans have themselves wilfully created," he continues.

How grim life would be for subject peoples if the Germans won the war is shown by facts, many from official Nazi sources, which have been collected by the International Transport Workers' Federation.

## Plan For Natives

For the coloured peoples of Africa the Nazis already have a

plan, the principles of which are stated in the Nationalistische Monatshefte, the Nazi official monthly organ.

Negroes would be required to work in the plantations, but would then be sent back to their tribes. They would be barred from urban occupations, and only a limited number would be educated. The "Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung" sums it all up: "The native must be handled firmly; he must feel a strong hand in control, and nothing must be conceded to him even out of kindness."

# QUICK WITS COUNT

R.A.F. selection boards, whose job it is to pick out suitable young men for training as pilots, regard quick wits as one of the important qualifications. While asking a candidate apparently aimless questions the members of the board are all the time assessing the speed at which he thinks.

How necessary it is for pilots to be quick thinkers—ready to seize an opportunity presented to them in a split second—is illustrated by the report of a squadron leader of the Fighter Command who recently shot down an enemy bomber as it was in the act of attacking one of our merchant ships.

The squadron leader and a companion had just picked up the ship and were about to circle round it in their Hurricanes, when the leader, turning his head slightly to the right, saw out of the corner of his eye, a Heinkel 111 only 500 yards away and coming straight at him.

"I pulled up sharply," he said afterwards, "and as the enemy shot past underneath me I turned and dived on him. I opened fire just as he dropped his bombs, and gave him a short burst."

"A lot of wild fire from the enemy aircraft missed me, and I prepared to attack again. But there was no need. The bomber burst into flames and almost simultaneously crashed into the sea in a mass of burning petrol and wreckage."

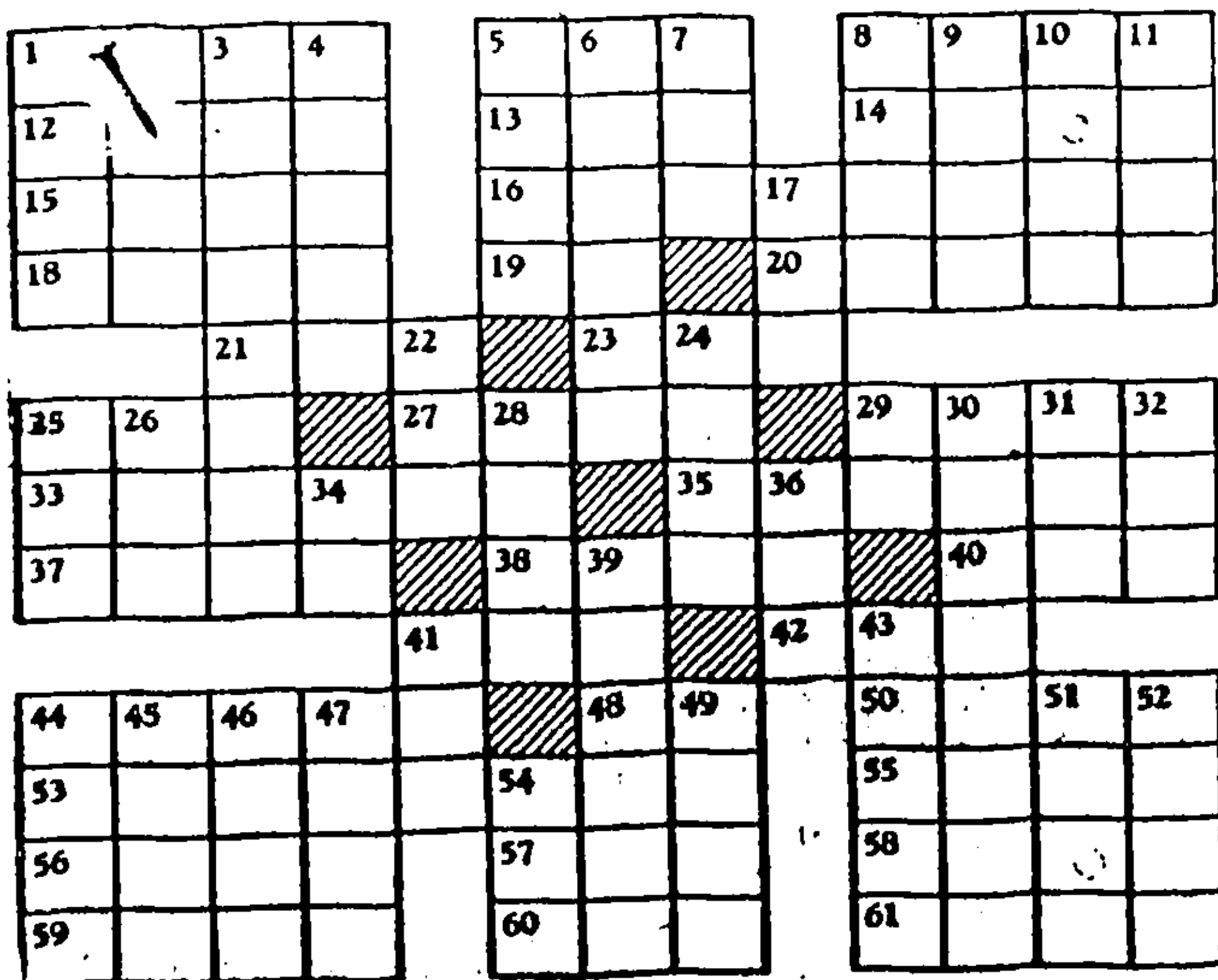
The whole action, from the time the fighter pilot first saw the bomber till it crashed into the sea in flames, was 45 seconds—far less time than it has taken you to read this account of what happened.

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- 8 Lone
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- 13 Brown
- 14 Paradise
- 15 Hindu deity
- 18 One who hopes for the best
- 19 Winter vehicle
- 20 Musical note
- 21 To wash
- 22 Doctrine
- 23 First woman
- 24 Ovary
- 27 European country
- 29 Moon goddess
- 32 To have residence
- 35 Oral
- 37 Part of "to be"
- 38 Worthless leavings
- 40 Swiss canton
- 41 Anglo-Saxon money
- 42 Sick
- 44 Part of coat
- 45 Symbol for iron

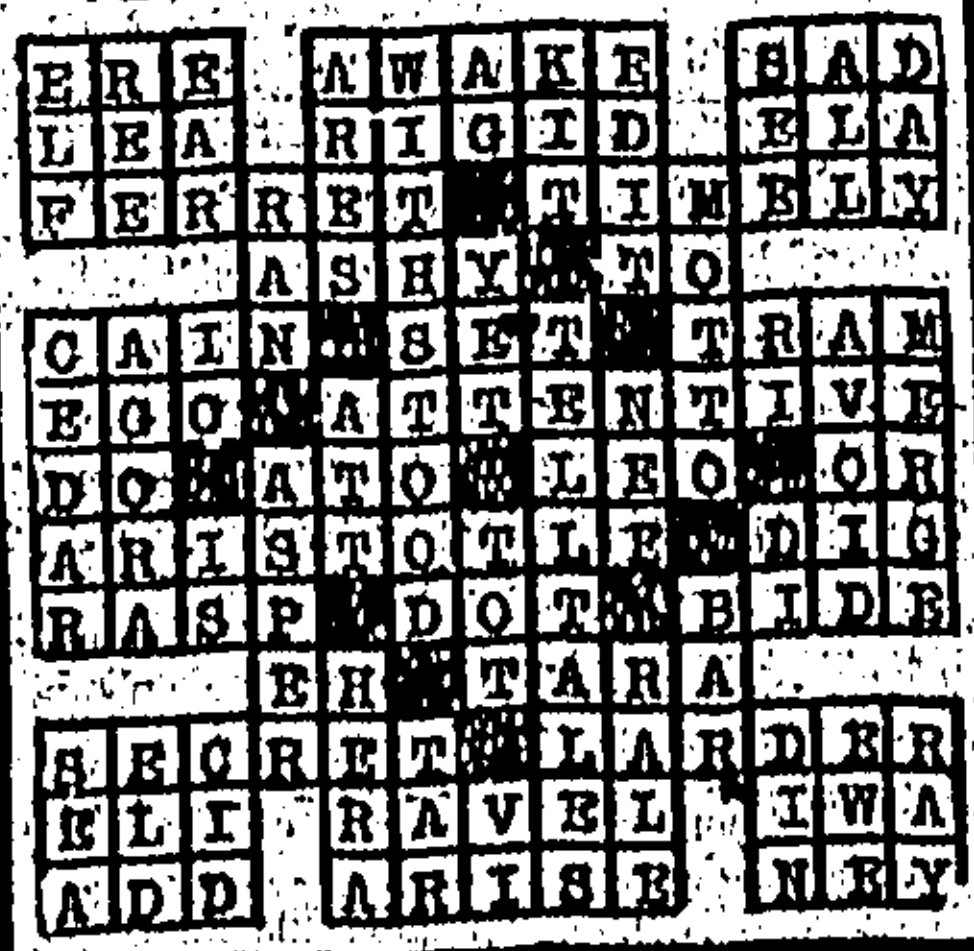
### VERTICAL

- 1 To spend
- 2 Dye plant
- 3 To lead astray
- 4 Peruses
- 5 Small particle
- 6 Sword
- 7 Insect
- 8 Prefix: half

### VERTICAL

- 9 Norse god
- 10 Minus
- 11 Heraldic device
- 17 Anger
- 22 Males
- 24 Article of apparel
- 25 To recede
- 26 Teamster's cry
- 28 Russian name
- 29 Behold!
- 30 Musical instruments
- 31 Biblical name
- 32 Tropical bird
- 34 Preposition
- 35 Greek letter
- 39 Beam
- 41 Aged
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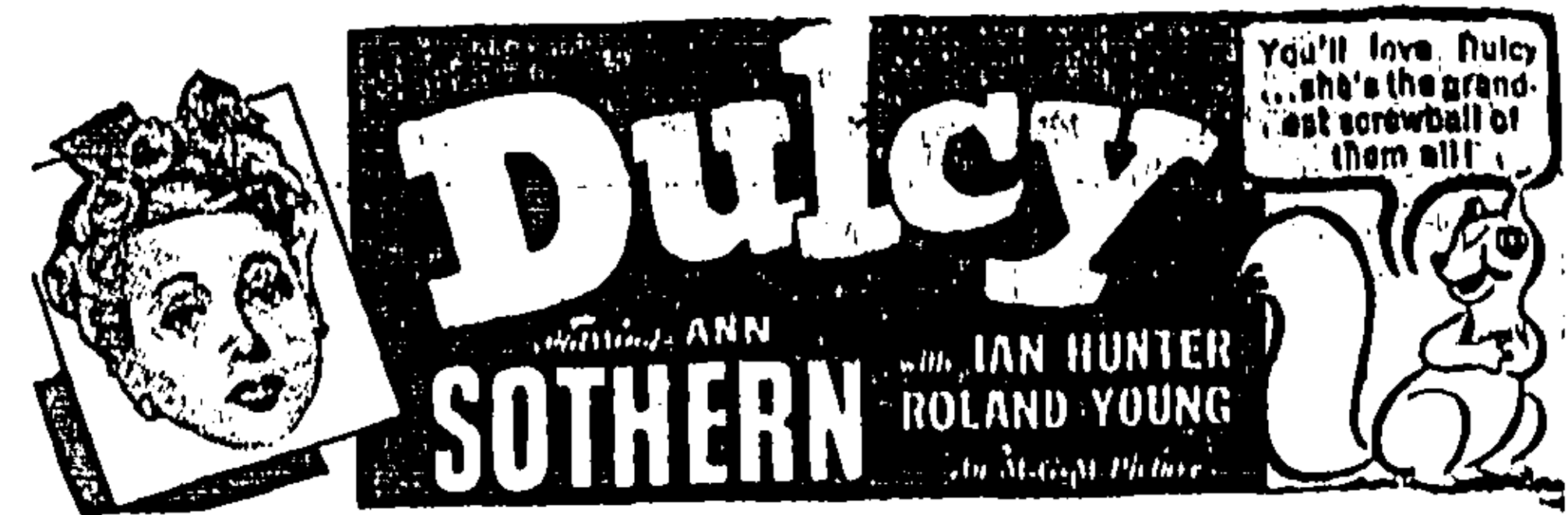
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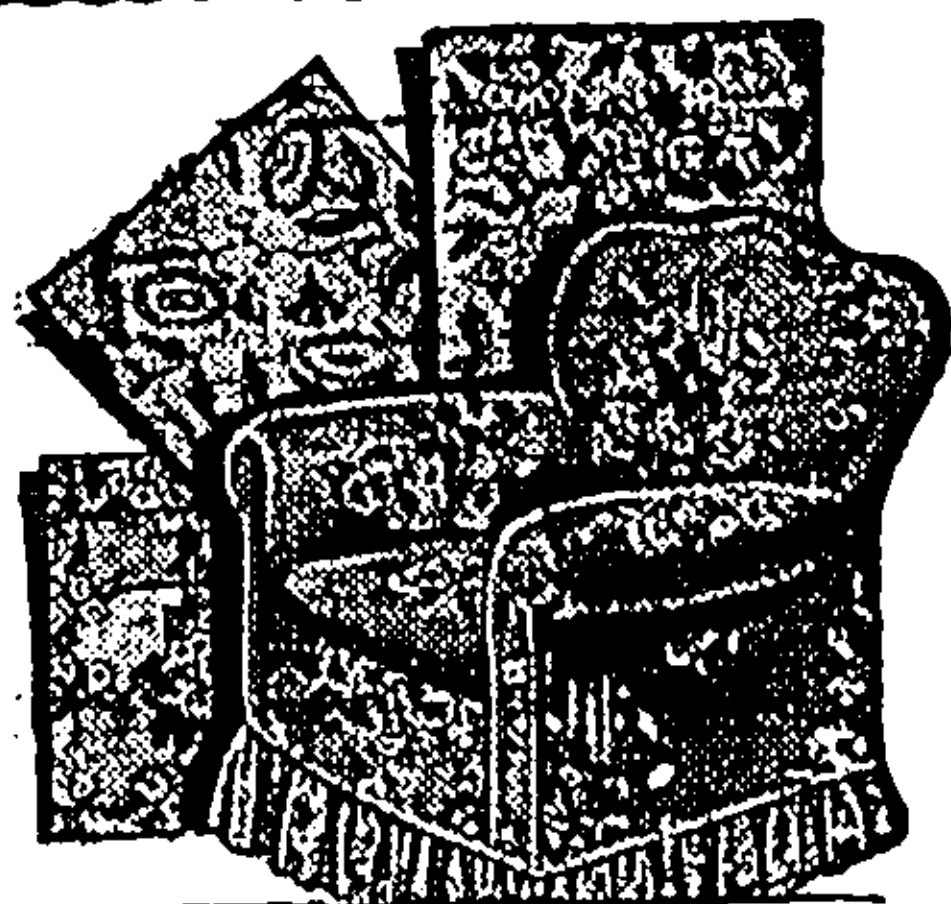
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# U.S. WEAPONS FLOW TO EGYPT BY SHIP A DAY

THE FLOW of lend-lease munitions to Egypt to reinforce Great Britain's defence of the Middle East was reported authoritatively in Washington to have reached almost a ship a day.

Officials familiar with administration of the \$7,000,000,000 lend-lease fund said that between twenty and twenty-five ships a month were being dispatched by way of either the Atlantic or Pacific routes to the Red Sea.

The manner in which shipments have been accelerated after a slow start tended to relieve the pessimism of some American military experts over British chances of holding on in the Mediterranean. Top defence officials were said reliably to be hopeful now that the diversion of Nazi forces to Russia would provide sufficient time for the British to get needed arms.

Cargoes of early arrivals in Egypt included fast new type thirteen-ton tanks, which the British need particularly to replace losses of equipment in Greece and North Africa.

Some of the tanks already have seen action. Officials were silent on the results, but the War Department was reported to have been informed that they "did a very good job" in their initial baptism of fire in the British foray last month against German forces in Libya.

### Ten Tanks A Day

Armed with a 37-millimetre cannon and several machine-guns, the light tanks are being turned out at the rate of more than ten a day at a Pennsylvania plant.

Aside from tanks, shipments have included guns, ammunition and planes, which already have seen action in Syria and Africa. American mechanics are in Egypt to direct assembling of the warplanes.

The guns presumably include approximately four score World War type field artillery pieces which President Roosevelt disclosed on the eve of the Nazi invasion had been released for transfer to Greece.

They are French 75-millimetre guns and although not as mobile and modern as some of the Army's newer weapons, are considered to be of definite military value.

Though more than three months have elapsed since Mr. Roosevelt signed the lend-lease appropriation, initial shipments in volume have reached their destination only recently because of the voyage of 12,000 miles via the Red Sea. Officials say 100 days is required for the trip.

## NO LOVE IN HAY!

Don't make love in the hayfield. That was the gist of an appeal made one night by the Ministry of Agriculture to Whitsun holiday makers.

The land is the farmer's workshop.

On a recent Sunday a man was found about to back his car into a field of oats.

Nearly young people who had ocyted from a large town had settled themselves snugly in a field shut up for hay, some in the middle of it.

Remember that grass is just as important a crop as corn.

Grass and the corn represent, among other things, the nation's milk for next winter.

## GERMANS PRAISE BRAVERY OF REDS

German newspaper readers, who previously had been without specific details of the operations against Russia, received a flood of feature stories about the fighting qualities of the Russian soldier.

"When cornered, he fights with the primitive sullenness of a trapped animal," wrote one propaganda company reporter. "He remains in a tank even while Germans are stacking explosives under it, because his officers have told him a tank is invulnerable."

"The Soviet infantry charges tanks as if something could be accomplished that way," this report continued. "They go like a flock of sheep to annihilation. The German soldier is witnessing something like collective destruction."

"The individual Russian soldier, though, is good in earth-works and skilful in taking advantage of terrain. He scorns death."

Another German reporter described a charge against machine-guns and artillery by Russian cavalrymen who, he said, ride without saddles, grenades in their hands and knives in their teeth. "A couple of rounds of artillery fire," he wrote, "finished this desperate exploit."

## SO MOTHER CAME ALONG

A high-placed official in London, who takes an active part in church affairs and justly prides himself on his impeccable moral life received a reminder recently that, while to the pure all things are pure, it's a wise girl who takes no risks.

He was helping to make arrangements for War Weapons Week, and asked his typist if she could arrange to come back after tea and devote a few hours that night to the work.

After "thinking" for a few minutes she agreed, and went home to tea.

The official then went out for a glass of milk. When he returned it was to find the girl seated ready for work—with her mother also seated in the room, knitting busily!

### NAZI DAGGER FOUND

A German dagger, presented by Rudolf Hess to a member of Hitler's Brownshirts, which was stolen during Woolwich War Weapons Week was later sold for 3s. The purchaser read of the theft and returned it.

## CAR'S CREW OF 20

New York police have a new "emergency car," which carries four searchlights, can be directed from a plane, has a secretary's desk, carries a crew of twenty, and has a miniature operating theatre.

## SEA RAIDER HIT WOMEN

Survivors, including an elderly couple from Surrey, swam for over twenty minutes before being picked up when a German raider sank the Zamzam.

The story was told in Biarritz recently by a survivor, Mr. J. V. Murphy, one of the editors of the American magazine, "Fortune."

He said a British woman, Mrs. Levitt, wife of an R.A.F. pilot, who was on her way to Africa to join her husband, was wounded in the foot by shell splinters.

Mr. Murphy said the Zamzam was four days from Capetown when, just before dawn one day nine shells hit her.

There was utter confusion on board.

An Englishman, Dr. Robert Starling, with his wife and daughter, 2, an elderly Surrey couple, Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Wright, and women and children swam round for over twenty minutes before being picked up.

A missionary was swimming round crying over and over, "It's God's punishment for their sins."

Next day all except two Americans and one Englishman, who were wounded, were transferred to a merchant ship.

Speaking in English the captain of the merchant ship said: "Any monkey business and we'll answer with machine-guns."

The survivors were on board this ship for thirty-three days before being landed at St. Jean de Luz.

## EYE-SHIELDS FOR LONDON TROOPS

Eye-shields have been issued to troops who are manning some of the blockhouses in London. They are of celluloid and are a development of the goggles worn by motor-cyclists.

The shields are intended to protect the eyes from small fragments without limiting vision. Men on duty in the streets are in danger of having particles of granite and other missiles entering the eye, causing blindness.

Visors for use with steel helmets as a safeguard against shell fragments are expected to be issued to troops shortly. Large-scale experiments are understood to have produced satisfactory results.

### NAVAL YACHT SUNK

H. M. yacht Viva II (Captain M. A. Blomfield, O.B.E., R.N.) has been sunk, the Admiralty announced.



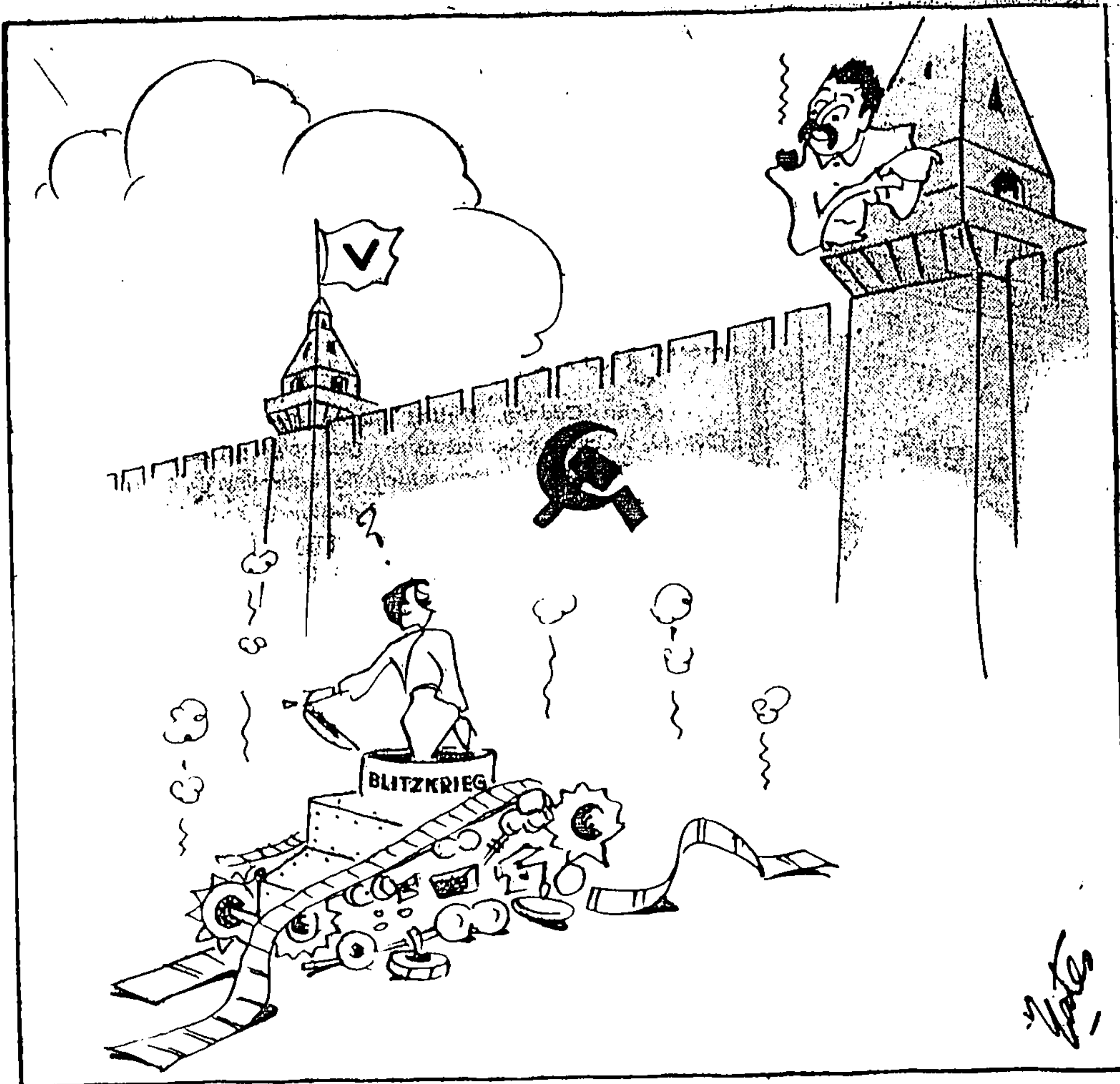
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## GERMANY TASTES REAL WAR

It does not make much difference whether the treaty concluded between Russia and Great Britain is technically known as a formal alliance or merely as an "association," "co-belligerency" or "joint action." The treaty in any case embodies what is really essential — an agreement for mutual assistance and an agreement by both parties not to make a separate peace.

If Hitler is to be defeated, he is obviously more likely to be defeated by collaboration on the part of his opponents than by its absence. If Russia has everything to stop Hitler's drive at some point but one element, and the British are able to supply that element, it would be folly to withhold it for mere ideological reasons. Perhaps what Britain can most quickly supply are strategists and technicians; and these have already begun to arrive. The moral gains on both sides are immediate. It has strengthened Russian morale to have this clear evidence of British help, it will bolster British morale to have a Russian promise, granted at this moment, not to make a separate peace. But whatever help the British give to Russia will doubtless be extended not on sentimental but on cold-blooded strategic grounds. It is a policy not of "aid Russia" but of "stop Hitler" that will have the widest British and American support.

On top of these successes the British are pounding Western Germany as never before. Regardless of the outcome in Russia, the Nazis beyond doubt are suffering very heavy casualties there. The German people themselves are at last beginning to taste the full horrors of war. For the first time since the war began, the Nazis lack air superiority over all occupied points. They are getting the kind of punishment with which they have so often threatened others. They can no longer bully the rest of the world with impunity. They may yet win in Russia, after greater sacrifices than they had counted upon. But the conquest of Britain now seems more remote than at any time in the last twelve months; and American aid to Britain has increased from a trickle to an ever-broadening stream.



TROJAN HORSE—SLIGHTLY SHOPSOILED

# Victoria Would Be Surprised

When war came to Britain in September, 1939, the women of England were not wholly unprepared. As far back as a year and a half before the outbreak they had heard the premonitory rumblings. Out of their awareness was born the Women's Voluntary Services, with a present enrollment of close to a million. Also there is the Housewife's Service, numbering a quarter of a million, which cooperates with two million women in neighbourhood defence. Their story goes like this:

"What the government needs is a maid-of-all-work," said Sir Samuel Hoare, the Home Secretary, as war clouds gathered in Europe. "And who but women can provide that service?"

He called Lady Reading, widow of the one-time Viceroy of India, to discuss the recruiting of women for civil defence. That was in May, 1938. All that he really expected to get out of the meeting was the cooperation of women with the Air-Raid Precautions movement which was sweeping the country at that time.

"Now if bombs should fall, don't you think it would be a good idea to have women instruct householders to protect themselves and the community?" he asked Lady Reading. "And don't you think that women should take jobs in the Air-Raid Precautions Services in their own local districts?"

Lady Reading agreed. It was an excellent plan — in fact it was so good that the organisation came into being then and there with the weighty title of Women's Voluntary Services for Air-Raid Precautions. When news of the founding of the organisation was made known it was as if a three-bell fire alarm had been rung throughout Britain solely for the ears of the women. The response was overwhelming. Inquiries flooded the headquarters in London. Affiliation with only the Air-Raid Precautions limited the duties of these women to work in first-aid posts, auxiliary fire services, report points and at ambulance driving. It wasn't enough. The women asked for more work to do — a variety of work, any kind of work. They wished to serve their country.

"What can I do about national defence?"

"Where do I go to take a course in first aid?"

"Do you give lessons in home nursing?"

"May I run a canteen?"

In Tothill Street, a stone's throw from the Houses of Parliament, where the W. V. S. established headquarters, these questions were answered a thousand times a day.

With the local authorities, the Borough Councils and the government, the women consulted for days on end. Schools, offices and factories organised their own groups to give immediate training. Lessons were given in fire-fighting, first aid, home nursing, ambulance driving and A.R.P. work all over Britain. Draft lectures and memoranda kept

**By Helen  
Cumming**

pace with the rapidly changing conditions. The organisation grew with every emergency and produced a limitless supply of competent women who were willing, without acknowledgment or pay, to give help in any part of the country where it was needed.

What England got out of that meeting was — more than a maid-of-all-work — a wife. Who but a wife could cook, nurse, sew, wash dishes, knit, drive ambulances, manage clothing depots, run canteens — mobile and stationary ones — scrub children, hunt billets, evacuate children and old people from untenable areas? Who but a wife could advise the government how to spend money to the best advantage? As the scope of the work increased the name of the organisation was changed to the Women's Voluntary Services for Civil Defence. Abbreviated to W.V.S., that name has stuck.

When the government divided England, Scotland and Wales into thirteen regions, each of which was provided with a nucleus government in case of breakdown of communications, the "commissioner" in charge was given, as his opposite number, a W.V.S. regional administrator. Under each regional administrator are opposite numbers in each of the local authorities — the chain extending from County Councils right down to village and even hamlet representatives. All are

local residents. The W.V.S. co-operates with the government and local authorities. It undertakes work only at their request or with their approval. A wife in every sense of the word! At the wedding of the government and the W.V.S. the word "obey" was left in the service.

The administrative staff of the W.V.S. all over Britain numbers about 3,500 members, and of all these women only sixty-seven are paid. The unpaid workers are treated the same as the paid ones. They hold a letter of appointment from the chairman providing that a month's notice be given either way. Nothing is left to chance and every worker possesses a keen sense of responsibility. Expenses for equipment, postage, heat and lighting in offices are paid by the government; and the W.V.S. has a purchasing department possessing a licence to buy "ex quota."

Another branch of the W.V.S. which shies away from the domestic role is the committee that deals in shipping and in forwarding and dealing with goods sent from overseas for distribution. Lady Reading is personally responsible for overseas and purchasing departments, and it is she who deals directly with the American Red Cross. Five to eight boatloads of supplies leave American shores for England weekly. To date, 369 ships bearing 910 consignments of clothing, boots, layettes and relief goods have been received and distributed — and that in spite of Hitler's U-boats. Only eleven cargoes had been lost.

Mushroom growth cannot be attributed to the W.V.S. From the original membership of five women to the present enrollment of almost a million the progress was gradual. The group works with an advisory council of representatives from over sixty women's organisations in the country — religious, political, professional, social — including Girl Guides and women's institutes. Nor can the W.V.S. be called part of the army. It is a civilian wartime organisation. It includes women who give all or part of their time to making themselves useful and alleviating distress. It has not a colonel or sergeant major. It has no drills, no salutes, no army discipline. It dispenses

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# "THE GERMANS FEAR US"

---John Cudahy

(John Cudahy, United States Ambassador to Belgium in 1939-40, recently returned to the United States after a three-month visit in Germany, during which he interviewed Adolf Hitler and many Germans high in the official and business life of that country).

(By JOHN CUDAHY)

AN ACCURATE STATEMENT is that America's formal entry into the war will have a profound depressing influence upon German public opinion. Our non-fighting belligerency is recognised and accepted by the German people generally, but that is far from active shooting participation.

The prestige of the United States is very great. It is known that we have never lost a war and never made a compromise peace, and the Germans fear that if we move into this conflict, we will move in for the knockout blow.

Those Germans who took part in the struggle of 1914-1918 remember only too vividly the terrific smashing tactics of the American Expeditionary Force at the Argonne Forest and Chateau Thierry.

And there are few among the mature generation of Germans who do not fear American participation, for no less authority than Ludendorff admits in his memoirs that the American troops were decisive in bringing about German defeat in 1918. Then, too, the terrible memory of the blockade still lives vividly with the generation of that war; the blighting effects of pellagra, rickets and other fearful results of malnutrition from the blockade have not been forgotten.

## Time Element

When I talked to Herr von Ribbentrop [Germany's Foreign Minister] he made no effort to disparage American military potentialities and the significant influence they might in time bring to bear upon the trend of conflict, but he expressed the opinion that modern warfare demanded such mechanised effort that we could not mobilise the force of America before it was too late before Germany had gained crushing ascendancy that could never be over-taken.

The post-war generation of Germans do not feel the same apprehension about America, as they are ignorant of the war a generation ago. Their profound faith in their Fuehrer gives them a sanguine feeling that cannot be shaken. They are impressed by the unbroken success of the German Army fighting over nearly every conceivable terrain from the fjords of Norway to the Maginot Line and the mountainous going in Yugoslavia and Greece.

Hitler's undisputed, commanding eminence in Germany is illustrated by the Hess episode. Rudolf Hess, a man of education, was a tough rough-neck, a hard-hitting, two-fisted fighting man who stood by Hitler in the early days of the National Socialist movement.

I was in the Berlin Foreign Office when the Hess sensation broke and the effect was such panic-stricken consternation that a clumsy story was put out in the "Voelkischer Beobachter" that he was insane. It was twenty-four hours later before the Propaganda Ministry regained its composure enough to print the explanation of an unauthorised negotiated-peace mission.

The effect of the first story lingered among the people, who had a feeling of bewilderment and resentment against the government. Why, they asked, if Hess was insane, was he continued in a responsible position, and what kind of government was it that kept crazy men in office who might some day rule?

Had not Hess been solemnly designated No. 3 by Hitler to succeed the Fuehrer after Reich Marshal Goering? What did the whole thing mean? people asked gloomily. They took a very black view. But, of course, no one thought of doing anything about it. Nor is it easy to see what action could have been taken if they had been minded to protest.

## Hitler's Prestige

Certainly the prestige of Hitler was not affected. And if, as many

people believe, the flight of Hess illustrates clashing interests, distrust and jealousy within National Socialist ranks, none of this touches Hitler. To-day, all observers agree, regardless of their wishes in the matter, that Hitler is Germany and Germany is Hitler.

Ever since the beginning of the National Socialist regime some of us had been hoping for an insurrection in Germany and an overthrow of Hitler. Months before the Blitzkrieg came to Belgium we followed eagerly a line of speculative evidence that indicated a breach between the Nazis and the army chiefs, who, the story went, were convinced that Hitler was a wild, frenzied fanatic. But Count Jacques Davignon, Belgium Ambassador in Berlin, told me that such a hope, like so many hopes looking to German defeat, was based on delusion where the wish sired the thought.

"The German people will eat stones if need be," he said grimly. "They are united to a man back of Hitler, no matter where he leads them, no matter what happens to Germany."

The war is not popular. But that does not mean that the German people will not go through to the grim end and follow their Fuehrer, no matter how desperate the situation may become. I suppose a war referendum would have resulted 80 per cent. against, but now that the die has been cast, all Germany is prepared for a finish fight. The common attitude is negative rather than positive, with no sense of triumph or elation over the unbroken series of military successes.

## No Cheers For Victory

I was in the bar of the Eden Hotel, the swankiest spot in Berlin, when the announcement came over the radio of the capitulation of the Epirus army, which meant the end of Greece. But people seated at tables, drinking Rhine wine and a sloppy, almost kickless beer, recorded nothing. You might have thought they were listening to a weather report.

I was in Berlin after the fall of the Low Countries, when every house was, by order, decorated with Swastika flags. But beyond this display, there was no celebration. Not a note even of satisfaction. I was told the same thing was true after the fall of France. The attitude is negative, yet there is an unyielding determination to win.

So there is no chance of an insurrection under prevailing conditions, and one would have to recognise overwhelming defeat, crushing to German morale, before any movement for different leadership could be effected.

I came away from Berlin the last week of May, after a three-month stay. My notes record six air raids during that time. I lived at the Adlon Hotel, close by the Brandenburger Gate, on Unter den Linden. The attacks came in the first hours of the morning, usually a half-hour or so after midnight.

The most telling attack was made in April, when more than 100 incendiary bombs were dropped on Unter den Linden, twenty-three of them in the Pariser Platz in front of the hotel, where they lit up the scene with the lurid light of flaming torches. The old Opera House was completely gutted, the University Library wrecked, and severe damage was in-

## REMEMBERED HER FRIENDS

Mrs. Ethel A. Barton, of Hyde Park-place, Paddington, W., who left £93,501 14s., gave £1,500 to her chauffeur, William Pitkin, "who has always helped me," and £1,200 to cook Annie Morton, "another friend."

## 3 BATHERS DIE FOR A TOWEL

After bathing in a pond, six Canadian soldiers got into a rowing boat to fetch a towel they had forgotten.

The boat leaked, and as the men changed places it capsized. Three got ashore, but the others were drowned.

At the Bramshott (Surrey) inquest it was stated that the pond, a private one, was thick with weeds and mud.

The bodies of the victims were recovered by members of their company.

Verdict: Accidental drowning.

## POSER OF £212 GIFT AND CLAIM

At the same time that the Mayor of Coventry, Alderman J. A. Moseley, anonymously received 212 pound notes in an unregistered envelope, a woman reported to the local police that she had lost £212.

"The woman who said she lost the money came to me and I asked her when she lost it," the Mayor told a meeting.

"She said she thought it was a few days ago. I told her I had received the money three weeks ago and that it had already been distributed among hospitals."

flicted upon three business buildings facing Unter den Linden.

## Great Damage

About two miles west of Unter den Linden a bomb fell in a vacant lot, where it dug a huge crater, yet within a radius of 500 yards was the blasting havoc of the explosion—roofs torn from houses and windows splintered so that all the streets in the neighbourhood were filled with litter and fragments of glass.

A German, who met on the scene, who had lived in America, told us that this single projectile was filled with compressed air and was probably made in America. This he said factually, without a trace of bitterness. It was typical of Germans generally. There is little hatred or hostility in Germany.

The common run of people in Germany stay strangely detached, as though they were indifferent spectators of this war, which will control their destiny and the destiny of unborn German generations. When the British sky raiders stayed until the early morning hours, I heard Germans say: "They must get going now, the light will be coming and they will get shot down." They said this with sincere solicitude.

And more curious was the occultist on Friedrichstrasse. It was the day after the big raid that knocked out the Opera House. "Those must have been American planes last night, they bombed us so well," he said enthusiastically, as if he wished to share my pride in this American achievement that had rained hell upon his country. It was very hard to understand.

I never got to Hamburg, Bremen, or the Ruhr industrial section, but people who had seen the British air damage in these regions told me that it was far greater than that suffered by the capital. This was especially true of Hamburg and Bremen, where they said the docks had been smashed with great effect.



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# BIG U.S. SUPPLIES ARMING THE NEAR EAST

(By HAROLD DENNY)

PORTS IN THE NEAR EAST have become the real war front of the Near East. American war materials of every description are arriving in this theatre in sufficient volume to promise an appreciable effect.

The first ship to arrive after President Roosevelt removed the legal barriers against American vessels' voyages to the Red Sea docked July 4 after a voyage from an American port.

Her captain, a husky Irish-American, was proud of his distinction. While a group of correspondents watched the unloading of his ship, another vessel with the Stars and Stripes nosed into port.

The quay, a narrow strip of solid ground with the blue sea on one side and a fringe of stringy palms cutting off the desert on the other, was a scene of great animation, for these priceless stores were being unloaded at top speed twenty-four hours a day. British freighters also were unloading.

## American Experts Help

British officers and soldiers were supervising, while American technical experts stood by to see that their precious charges were not damaged and to advise on the uncrating and assembling. The stevedores were Egyptian Arabs, who, with dirty cotton burnouses rolled up around their waists, sweated and shouted as they pried out the cargo.

The dock was already a jungle of crates containing Tomahawk engines, fuselages and wing sections ready to be assembled, motor trucks, tires and spare parts for automobiles and aeroplanes.

The ship appeared packed to capacity. Deep in the hold lay squat, ugly war monsters. As one by one they were hoisted by derricks and deposited on land they received a few gallons of gasoline and chugged off under their own power. An American technician fondly patted a gun muzzle and remarked, "These are made of steel that is second to none."

The interstices among the heavy items were filled with coils of wire, tires, medical stores, shoe polish and ordinary civil goods, including American canned beer that has already appeared in Cairo cafes at 40 cents a pint.

Word that a large variety of American supplies is actually reaching the Near East has spread widely through the troops, who for months have been asking every American they see, "When will your stuff begin coming?"

## Near East Hails Russians

The Near East apparently is secure for the time being. How long it will remain so few venture to predict.

British authorities speak admiringly of the courage, tenacity and skill of the Red Army, for it is devouring a considerable slice of Germany's trained man power and destroying much German equipment though at an immense cost to its own men and material.

But even though Russia's resistance has been more effective than had been hoped for, most observers here have little doubt of the final outcome. Russia can at best only delay the German march.

The Germans are driving heaviest at the administrative and industrial centres, Moscow and Leningrad, instead of directly at Kiev, as first expected, and evidently intend to paralyse Russia's nerve centres and knock out Russia by a blow to the head instead of simply going after grain, coal, iron and oil, the resources of the Ukraine and Transcaucasus.

Should the Germans succeed, it is difficult to see where the Soviet Government could set itself up again west of the Ural Mountains and how it could avoid being driven from Europe.

Germany's attack on Russia makes the war problem greater and more immediate for Britain and the United States. If Germany is able to overrun Western Russia in the next few weeks it seems likely that she would then, after an interval for reorganising,

her forces, launch a sweep toward India and the Near East, coming down from the Caucasus across Persia or Turkey into Iraq and Syria and, if successful, even to Egypt.

Granted that Adolf Hitler gets the Ukraine and the Caucasus in a few weeks, it will take at least two years to organise the production and transport of the resources he most needs. After he has geared these resources into his war machine, unless he is beaten, he will be the master of the most formidable empire the world ever saw.

## 67, WILL WED 19

At 67, Samuel James Lindsell, of Warwick-square, London, S.W., feels "fine and 21." And all because he's going to marry Vera Wade — a girl of 19.

"I have known Vera since she came to my house as a housemaid when she was sixteen," Mr. Linsell told a reporter the other day. "My first wife was ill, so I had to get somebody to help with the work. Vera never saw my wife—who died in 1939."

"When the war broke out business was bad—so I had to 'sack' Vera. After a heavy air raid she would always call to see whether I was all right, and somehow I was touched—and I was lonely."

"I felt my feelings changing—and then I was in love."

"Soon I shall have my little sweetheart with me always."

"The wedding will be a quiet, family affair—and I can't spare the time for a honeymoon."

## AXIS PETROL WASHED UP

Eight thousand gallons of petrol have been washed ashore on the coast of Tunisia after British blows at Axis lines of communication to North Africa.

A report in the Official Journal, of Tunis, says that 3,300 gallons had been collected up to March 30, all in 200-litre drums marked "Aeronautica"; 4,700 gallons has been washed up since then.

The marking "Aeronautica" was understood to mean that the petrol was intended to fuel Italian planes in Africa.

## NAZI AIR CHIEF KILLED

Colonel-General Ulrich Grauert, Commanding General of a Nazi air squadron, who, the German communique says, "fell in action while fighting against England," was one of the German key air commanders.

## 'PLANES COUNCIL PLAN

A British-American production council to achieve standardisation of 'planes is suggested in a Parliamentary question by Mr. E. Granville (Lib. Nat., Eye).

## NAZIS MAKE RUGS FOR US

British women are helping German airmen — in the art of rug making.

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# BRIDGE NOTES

## A USEFUL INFERENCE

### By The Four Aces

To-day's hand probably belongs in the crime series, because South misplayed the hand and lost his Small Slam contract. But the crime is a little obvious, and the real interest centres in how South should have known the right way to play the hand:

South, Dealer

North-South vulnerable

NORTH

♥ K Q 10 7 4

♦ K Q J 7 3

♣ K Q 8

♠ J

WEST

♥ J 8 5 2

♦ 10 6

♣ 7 4 2

♠ 7 6 4 3

EAST

♥ 3

♦ 9 5 4

♣ A J 10 9

♠ 8 3

SOUTH

♥ A K 9 6

♦ A 8 2

♣ 5

♠ A K 8 5 2

The bidding:

| South | West | North | East |
|-------|------|-------|------|
| 1♣    | Pass | 1♥    | 2♦   |
| 2♣    | Pass | 4♥    | Pass |
| 6♣    | Pass | Pass  | Pass |

West opened the seven of diamonds, and dummy's Queen forced out East's Ace. A diamond return was won by dummy, and South took the next trick with the spade Ace. Thus far, South had played the hand correctly, but his next play upset his appealant; he led a low trump and won with dummy's Queen.

When East showed out of trumps, the snow was over. South could not avoid the loss of a trump trick, and was therefore bound to be set one trick.

South had no way of telling that West had started with four trumps, but he should have known that if either defender had four trumps, it was more likely to be West. That sort of inference is very useful, and can be made almost every time a defensive bid has been made. The defensive bidder displays length in the suit he has bid, and he is therefore a little more likely to be short in some other suit than is his partner who has no unusually long suit.

Acting on this inference, South should have won the second round of trumps with the King in his own hand. Then if both players followed suit, dummy's Queen would draw the last trump; but if East showed out, a finesse could be taken through West's Jack. The way South played the hand would have been correct if West had bid the diamonds, but was very unsound in view of the actual bidding.

Yesterday you were David Bruce Burnstone's partner and, with both sides vulnerable, you held:

♥ A Q 10 3 2  
♦ K J 9 4  
♣ 7  
♠ A 10 5

The bidding:

| You | Schenken | Burnstone | Maler |
|-----|----------|-----------|-------|
| 1♣  | Pass     | 1NT       | Pass  |
| 2♥  | Pass     | 2♠        | Pass  |
| (?) |          |           |       |

ANSWER: Pass. Your partner's bidding indicates a weak hand, and game is unlikely unless he has at least fair strength.

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## Question No. 781

To-day, you are Howard Schenken's partner and, with both sides vulnerable, you hold:

♥ 7 3 2  
♦ 8 4  
♣ A Q J 7 6  
♠ K 8 3

The bidding:

| Schenken | Jacoby | You | Maler |
|----------|--------|-----|-------|
| 1♣       | Pass   | (?) |       |

What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)  
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"Death Valley" Mack, old Ranger of the original Death Valley radio programme, singer, movie actor, lecturer, trick whip performer, marine, hunter and rodeo rider, has enthralled thousands of radio listeners in the United States with his broadcasts of original tales of the Death Valley and with his cowboy songs.

## An Indian Mother

Born of a Cherokee mother (she was Mary May Wolf, daughter of Chief Lone Wolf of Cherokee tribe), "Death Valley" Mack started his career in the early years of the twentieth century.

His father, who was the marshal in the Oklahoma territory during the land rush in April 1889, and his mother were in the show business, while his uncle, Capt. Bill McDonald was with the Texas Rangers.

This is not "Death Valley" Mack's first visit to Shanghai. Way back in 1921, tired of his work, he sailed to the Orient in the "Schooner of Death Valley." This time he arrived in the City of Joliet and intends to remain for five or six days. After that he will continue his voyage to Manila where he expects to exhibit his prowess with a whip (an art which brought him a big share of his popularity in the United States), and will then sail home, hoping to be back at his ranch in Death Valley by October 1.

## Early Movie Career

Although elderly, "Death Valley" Mack is still active and appeared in his famous act at the Golden Gate International Exposition in San Francisco in 1939. His movie career dates back to the days of "Bill" Hart, western idol of millions of children, and he has played with such western stars as Hoot Gibson, Buck Jones and Bob Steele. He also appeared with Miss Pearl White, the serial queen of two decades ago. He continued with the advent of talkies and appeared in a recent western with Miss Jean Arthur.

In America or China, in England or France, "Death Valley" Mack always dresses alike. A picturesque figure in western boots, riding breeches, a green velvet shirt, a special riding belt (with the insignia of the Heart of Texas to adorn it), and a ten-gallon hat.

When ending the interview, "Death Valley" Mack expressed hope that charity organisations would get in touch with him through Capt. A. Miller of the City of Joliet, at the Hongkong and Shanghai Wharf, and stressed his desire to show the kiddies a few things that they had not seen.

# COSTLY HOLLYWOOD MISTAKE

Propaganda pictures having proved to be a costly mistake, studios now are using the war simply as a background for lusty, full-throated melodrama, writes Douglas W. Churchill in the New York "Times." Not one of the several films devoted to arousing America against Germany has been more than a casual success at the box office and as a result pictures which deal with world conditions now are of the old fashioned cops-and-robbers stripe. The villains are black and the heroes are white and the reasons why are avoided.

According to this season's formula, which got its impetus from England with such pictures as "Black-out" and "Night Train," the wickedness of the Nazis is taken for granted and they appear as the menace in all stories. Why the financial returns from such films as "Confessions of a Nazi Spy," "Four Sons," "Mortal Storm," "The Man I Married," "Escape," "Pastor Hall" and "So Ends Our Night" were disappointing is a matter of speculation in Hollywood.

One faction thinks that audiences were convinced of the depravity of the Nazis and were bored by the constant reiteration on the screen; the other believes that the customers objected to having a philosophic attitude rammed down their throats. Both agree that the necessarily hopeless endings were depressing and both agree that there was no money in preaching.

Several films typify Hollywood's present approach "International Lady," which Edward Small is making, is the tale of the pursuit by the F. B. I. and Scotland Yard of Iona Massey, a Teutonic spy, until she falls in love with a G-man. According to Small's representatives, the same story could be made with a Civil War background or against the tapestry of a sinister peacetime munitions conspiracy. Its plot is a reversion to the elemental principles of photoplay making.

Paramount's "One Night in Lisbon," while possessing the flavour of propaganda, could have been made if there were no Nazis. The London air-raids are exciting but not essential to the plot and the chase of the heavies at the end is identical with the chase in "The Sheriff of Red Rock Canyon" and other horse operas. "Man Hunt" at Fox, while it has its philosophic moments, basically is action and melodrama. "A Yank in the R.A.F." also at Fox and Walter Wanger's "Eagle Squadron" are described as action pictures. Warners' "Underground" alone clings to the propaganda cycle, but it is reported to be far less argumentative than the earlier "Confessions."

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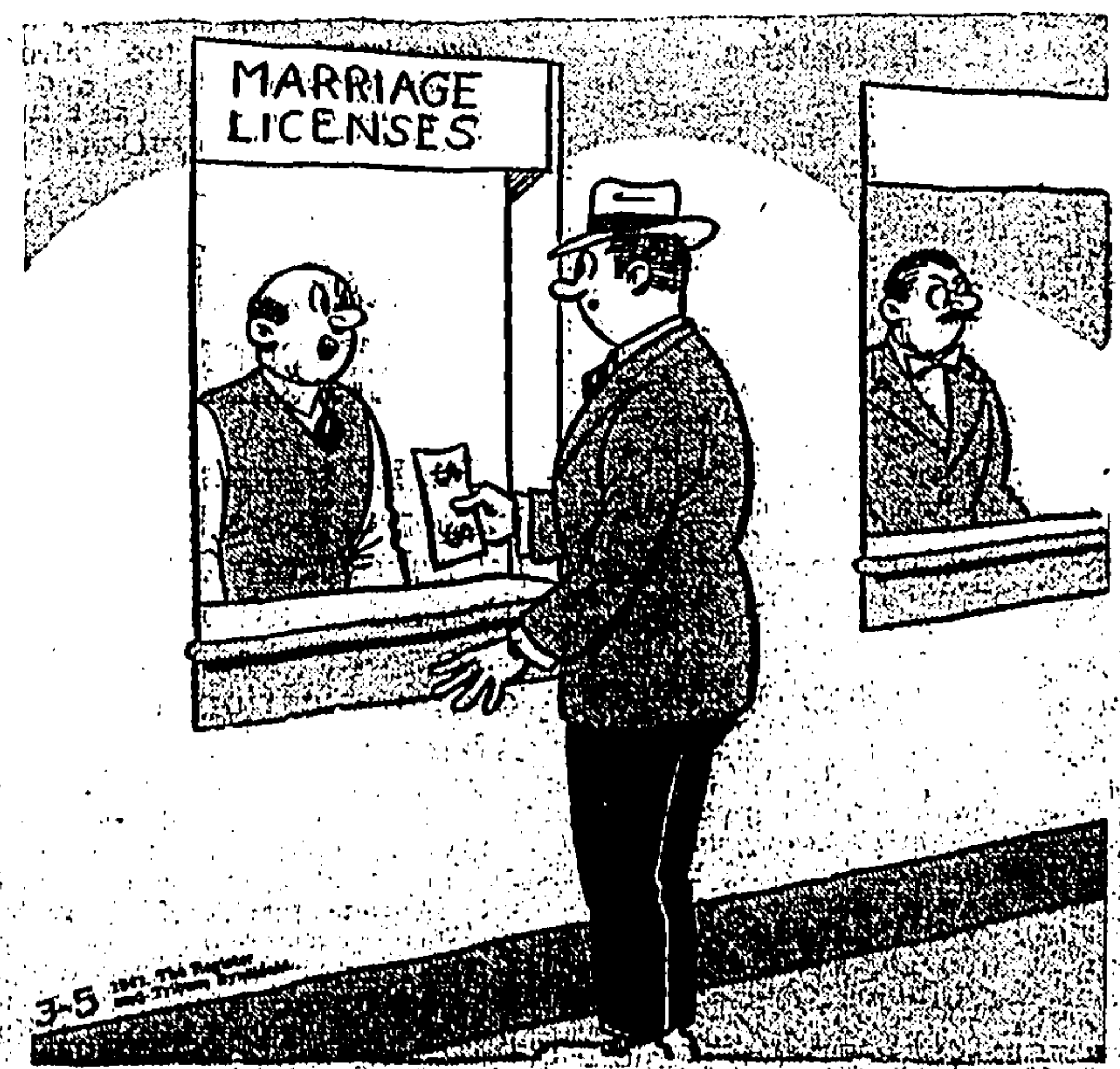
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## Bringing Up Father

By George MacManus



# Victoria Would Be Surprised

(Continued from Page 7)

with everything that smacks of the army—everything but the battle scars.

It has a uniform, but even that is not compulsory. Some members wear it, but the majority don't. It looks more like a trim town outfit, this gray-green suit with a rust-coloured blouse that goes with it. The pull-on felt hat in the same soft colour is even becoming. In raids, of course, the workers must wear steel helmets, which weigh five pounds.

How the women work in a raid was told recently by the instructor of a fresh group of workers in England's West Country. This raid was at Plymouth.

"As you know, we're a good sixty miles from Plymouth," she said. "We could see the sky take on a pink glow that night and later we watched it deepen into a blood-red glare. We heard the guns and the explosions. We even thought we could hear the drone of the German motors. We stood by—tense with excitement. Shortly after midnight the message came through to proceed at once."

Not just one or two mobile canteens took to the indistinguishable curving roads of England that night, but twelve. All twelve got through that time and, once the outskirts of Plymouth were reached, the going was easy with fires lighting the way.

"Plymouth itself couldn't cope with all the tragedy that night and early morning," the instructor went on. "For hours on end we dished out cups of tea. We distributed sandwiches. We walked over debris with sausage rolls to feed fire-fighters exhausted and scorched as they poured water on the flames."

"Our second stop in that early morning was literally no man's land. In one whole block everything was down. The biggest explosive in the world must have landed there. Masonry was still crumbling at the far end of the street, so we couldn't get through. We stood by what were once houses with furniture—now a jangled mass of wreckage."

"The side wall of one house was still standing as we came through. And, strangely enough, the stairs still clung crazily to the wall. Nobody knows why, but stairs do hold."

"There were three men with picks and shovels, digging like mad to clear out the rubble from under those stairs. A cup of tea? we asked as we approached them. There was no reply—just a continuous feverish digging. And then we knew why. We stood by fascinated and appalled. We didn't have long to wait. We could see three women, white with dust, huddled under the stairs. They were choking with dust in their lungs and their eyes were bloodshot."

"Ere, miss," said a member of the rescue squad as he helped out one woman. "Ere's a nice cup of tea [the tea that was originally meant for him] and don't you worry. I always say it's better to be buried and dug out than dug out and buried."

It was that night that a member of the W.V.S. earned a medal for bravery. The announcement was terse. "Dug out seven persons trapped in Anderson shelter

and gave them first-aid while the raid was a progress."

One of the subjects with which the W.V.S. has to deal is clothes. With the recent introduction of clothes rationing, coats, suits and dresses take on a new meaning in Britain. New ones are unthinkable, even for people who don't have to bother too much about money, for the sixty-six coupons annually allowed take care of only the bare necessities. Fashion is dead for the moment.

Work-and-mend parties are today's substitutes for afternoon bridge parties. At least two afternoons a week are devoted to sewing and mending. Even Queen Elizabeth holds work-and-mend parties in the bombed palace, taking her place at a rough trestle table, cutting and sewing with the wives of the palace attendants. Cooperating with the Red Cross, St. John's Ambulance and the Personal Service League, the W.V.S. has set up the Central Hospital Supply Service, for which they organise working parties.

The workers have found a trick in cutting clothing to get the most out of every available scrap. "Out of a bolt of flannel we know how to cut the maximum number of pyjamas and shirts, but the trick is to cut it so we can get pieces for hot water bottle covers and squares for patch-work quilts," one of them explained.

Seventeen miles of cloth have been cut in this workroom in less than a year. "We even save the selvages," admitted one shy helper. "We tear them off every roll of cloth and then knit them up into hospital cloths and dust-ers. The small shavings we sell to the paper manufacturers."

"And the dust—what do you do with that?" she was asked.

"Oh, we sell that to the paper manufacturers too," she replied.

With hospital training back of them, there are the W.V.S. workers who organise blood-transfusion services. They list and classify volunteer blood donors and in cases of emergency they collect blood.

The organisation gives the soldiers, too, their share of attention. Veering away from its prime purpose of working only with the civil defence authorities, it subjects His Majesty's fighting forces to the feminine influence. From 600 canteens it feeds more than 320,000 soldiers weekly.

At lonely outposts in Britain the volunteer workers travel hundreds of miles to minister to the needs of the boys and to alleviate their boredom. With vans stocked with oddments such as razor blades, soap, tooth brushes, electric torch, batteries, smokes, sweets and chocolates, they visit fifty encampments every week.

Through the activities of the W.V.S. waste has been greatly reduced in Britain. In every kitchen there is a special container for the clean garbage—that goes to the pigs; a box for meat bones—that's potential glue for aircraft production and fertiliser for the land; one for lead foil and tin foil—that too is to make more Spitfires and Hurricanes; one for newspapers, a very thin pile, what with only six pages in each edition—they are to be repulped; one for cardboard boxes—they are repulped, and how many times one reads one's old cardboard boxes in next Sunday's

"Times" is a matter of conjecture. Even cigarette butts are stripped of their paper and the tobacco is saved for future smokes. Aluminum has been cleared out of every kitchen. Iron too is collected, but few households have much spare iron left. Iron railings have come down and the lovely wrought iron around London's Georgian squares and parks is rapidly finding its way to the melting pot for munitions.

The Battle of Britain has been the means of ridding men of the curious illusion that women are fragile—emotionally unstable and completely dependent on them for protection in times of danger. Furthermore, it has proved that men and women behave in precisely the same fashion in the face of enemy action.

These women of the W.V.S. are the same who, a short time ago, were not adaptable to change. Try telling them a new way to cook Yorkshire pudding and they would throw up their hands in horror with: "We don't do it that way." Now faced with a complete upheaval of their way of life, they have volunteered to do the most menial, the most heartbreaking, the most soul-searing tasks that humans have had to face since civilisation began.

These are the women whose grandmothers fainted at the sight of blood—whose great-grandmothers lived in the Victorian era when a leg was called a limb. These are the women who now help drag limbless people from the wreckage of smashed homes. These are the women who know how to stop a hemorrhage, who know how to speak words of comfort to the dying. They not only know how—they do it. And if they go off by themselves to be quietly sick before going on with the job in hand, no one knows it. These are the women who, parted from their husbands and children, are working for more than a military victory—the right of their children to grow up in peace and responsible freedom.

Centuries of freedom have accustomed the women of Britain to think for themselves. The fine attributes of the female mind, the eye for detail, the dislike of waste—all are of inestimable value in doing the nation's house-keeping from day to day. Amid the chaos and destruction of war, they have emerged to take their full share of the national responsibilities.

These are Britain's wives.



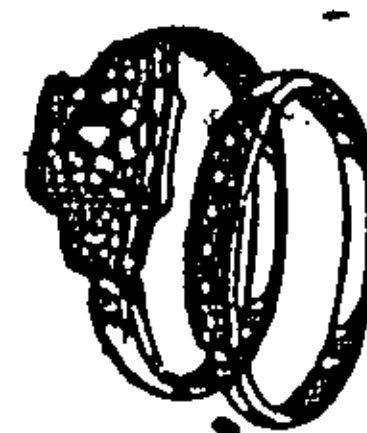
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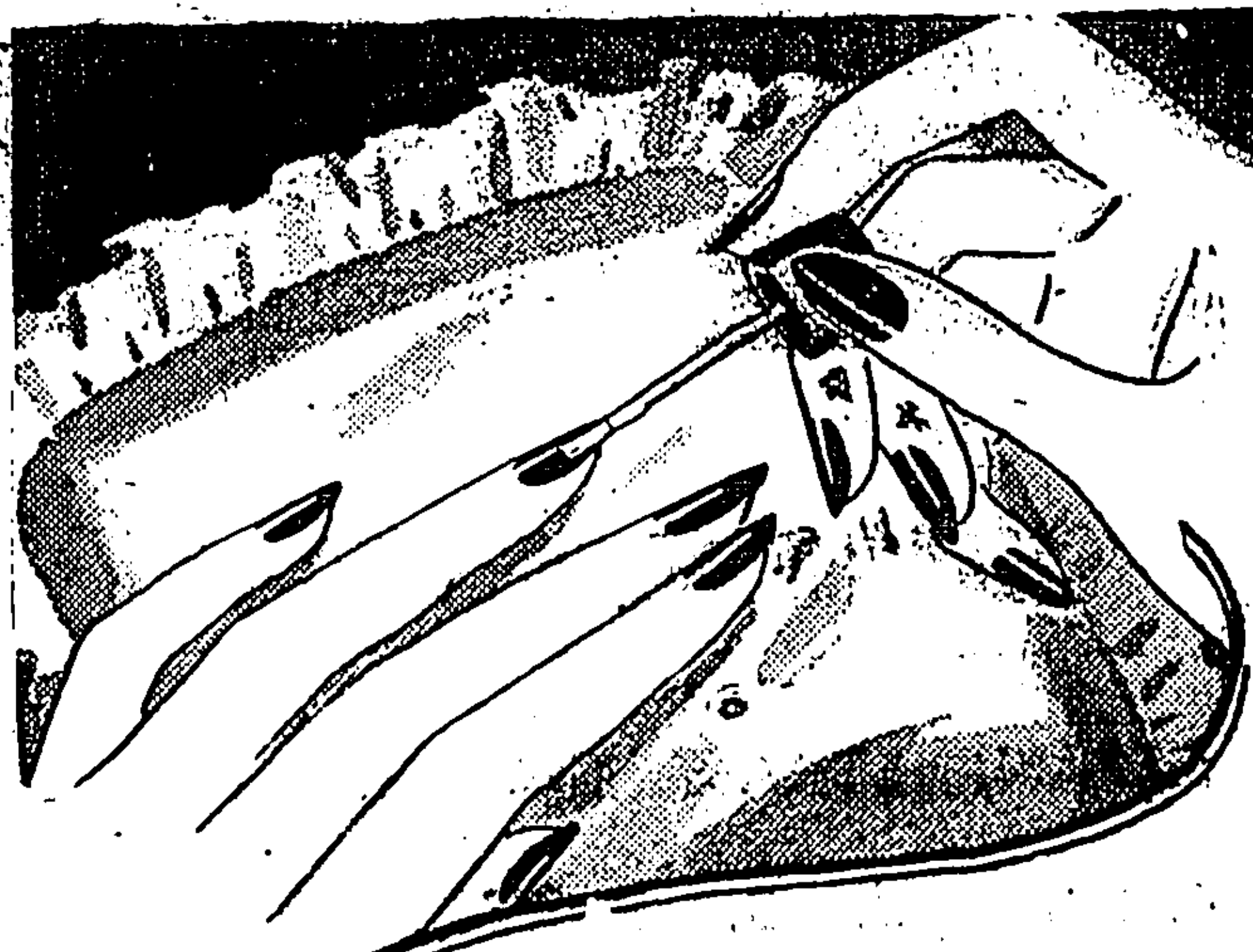
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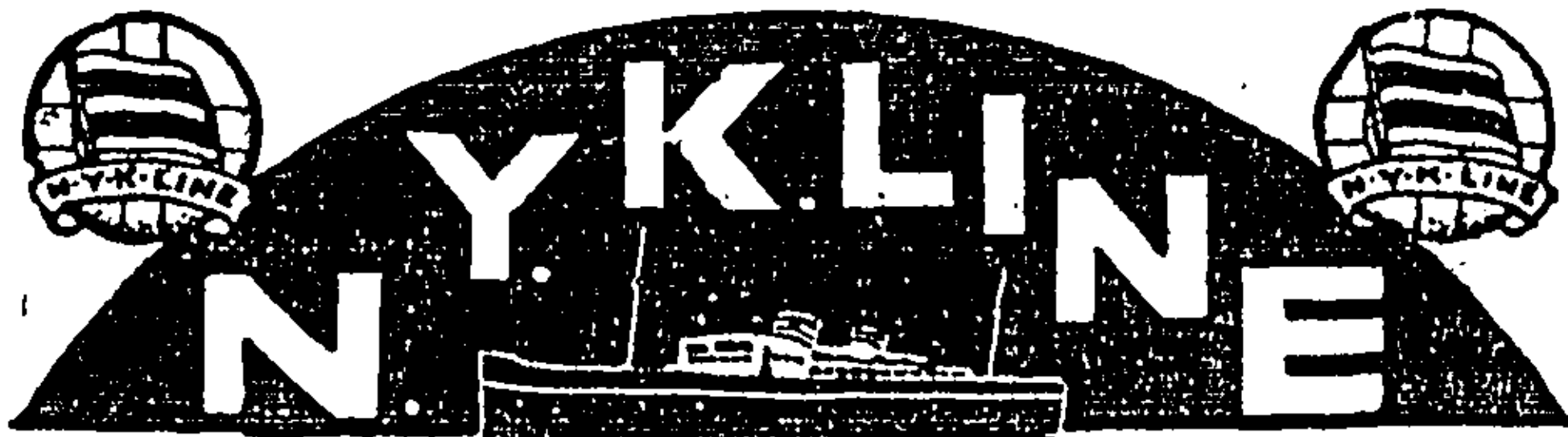
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12.15 p.m.—A Short Service of Intercession.  
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"Goldwyn Folies"—Selection (I. & G. Gershwin)...Louis Levy & his Orchestra.  
"Girl of the Golden West"—Selection...Anton & The Paramount Theatre Orchestra.  
"Paradise for Two"—Selection (Spillansky)...London Films Studio Orchestra.  
"Heart's Desire"—Selection...Cine Studio Orchestra.  
"O.H.M.S."—Turning the Town Upside Down (Sigler & others)...Louis Levy & his Gaumont-British Symphony.  
1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Programme Summary.  
1.02 p.m.—Humorous & Vocal Variety. Humorous Sketch—Sandy The Farmer (Wise)...Sandy Powell & Company. Vocal—Stompin' At The Savoy (Goodman, Webb, Sampson)...Swing. Mister Charlie (Robinson, Taylor, Brooks)...Judy Garland with Orch. Vocal—All Through A Glass of Champagne (from "Lights Up")...Wimpert-Gay)...Arthur Askey with Orchestra.  
Comedienne—That's The Worst of Having People Upstairs (Kenneth & George Western)...Elsie & Doris Waters with Piano.  
Talking—John Henry's Tiger (Henry)...John Henry assisted by Gladys Horridge.  
Vocal—Sweetheart, Let's Grow Old Together (Bratton & Edwards)...Kitty Masters with Orchestra.  
1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press and Announcements.  
1.45 p.m.—Dance Music.  
Fox-Trot—Get Your Boots Laced. Papa...Woody Herman & his Orch. Rumba—Ain't Cha Comin' Out?...Nat Gonella & his Georgians.  
Waltz—The Moon of Manakona (from film "The Hurricane")...Mario De Pietro & his Estudiantina.  
Slow Fox-Trots—I Love You Much Too Much; I Was Watching A Man Paint A Fence...Ambrose and his Orchestra.  
Quick-Step—Give Me My Ranch; Fox-Trot—Goodnight, My Beautiful...Ken "Snakehips" Johnson & his West Indian Orchestra.  
2.15 p.m.—Close down.  
6.00 p.m.—Indian Programme.  
6.45 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.  
6.47 p.m.—Excerpts from Grand Opera.  
"Die Meistersinger"—Overture (Wagner)...London Philharmonic Orchestra cond. by Georg Szell.  
"Mignon"—Vocal Gems (Thomas)...Grand Opera Company with Orch.  
"A Village Romeo & Juliet"—The Walk to the Paradise Garden (Delius)...The New Symphony Orchestra.  
"Aida"—O Skies Gerulean (Verdi)...Dusolina Giannini (Soprano) and Members of The Orchestra of La Scala, Milan.  
The Barber of Seville—Largo Al Factotum (Rossini)...Riccardo Stracchiari (Baritone) with Orchestra.  
7.20 p.m.—Brahms Symphony No. 3 in F Major.  
1st Mov: Allegro con brio; 2nd Mov: Andante; 3rd Mov: Poco Allegretto; Finale: Allegro...William Mengelberg & his Concertgebouw Orch.  
8.00 p.m.—London—The News.  
8.15 p.m.—London—War Commentary.  
8.25 p.m.—London—"Listening Post". Examination of Points in Daily German Propaganda.  
8.30 p.m.—Programme Summary.  
8.32 p.m.—Edward, German—Three Dances from Nell Gwyn.  
Country Dance—Pastoral Dance—Merrymakers' Dance...Jack Hyllton & his Orchestra.  
8.40 p.m.—Studio—"Some British Poets"—No 6 Yeats, A Talk by Rev. Father T. Ryan, S.J.  
9.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Announcements.  
9.02 p.m.—Studio—"To-night We Present"—A Review of New Records.  
9.45-10.00 p.m.—News in French (on Short Wave only).  
9.45 p.m.—Some Chopin Mazurkas and Etudes.  
Mazurka in F Sharp Minor (Fis Moll) Op. 6 No. 1; Mazurka in C Sharp Minor (Cis Moll) Op. 6 No. 2...Arthur Rubinstein (Piano).  
Grand Studies—Etude No. 10 in A Flat Major; Etude No. 12 in C Minor ("Revolutionary")...Kilenyi (Piano).  
Mazurka in A Minor (A Moll) Op. 7 No. 2; Mazurka in E Major (E Dure) Op. 6 No. 3...Arthur Rubinstein (Piano).  
10.00 p.m.—London—The News and News Commentary.  
10.15 p.m.—Guitar Solos.  
Waltzing to the Guitar—Medley—Intro: Alice Blue Gown; Love Will Find A Way; My Hero; Destiny; Missouri; I Love The Moon...Len Fills (Hawaiian Guitar).  
Prairie Romeo (Godfrey-Carlton); There's Only Five Bullets in My Old Six Shooter (Box & others)...Bob Mallin.  
10.30 p.m.—Lucienne Boyer (Vocal) in a Light French Programme.  
Mimile's Valse; The Happy Whistler (Baptiste-Alexander)...Bljou Accordeon Orchestra.  
Mon Ami Le Vent—Chanson (J. Delettre); Hands Across The Table—Chanson...Lucienne Boyer.  
Garufa (J. A. Collazo); La Cumparsita—Tango (G. H. M. Rodriguez)...Jean Wiener & Clement Doucet (Piano Duet).  
I Found A Bit of Paris in the Heart of Old New York (from "Continental Varieties of 1938")—Unget-Dietre)...Lucienne Boyer.  
Parade D'Oiseau—One Step (Alexander); Reve Secret—Valse Musette (Roudot et Laurent Halet)...L'Accordeoniste Alexander et Son Orchestra.  
11.00 p.m.—London—"Britain To-day" by Sir Frederick Whyte.  
11.15 p.m.—Close down.

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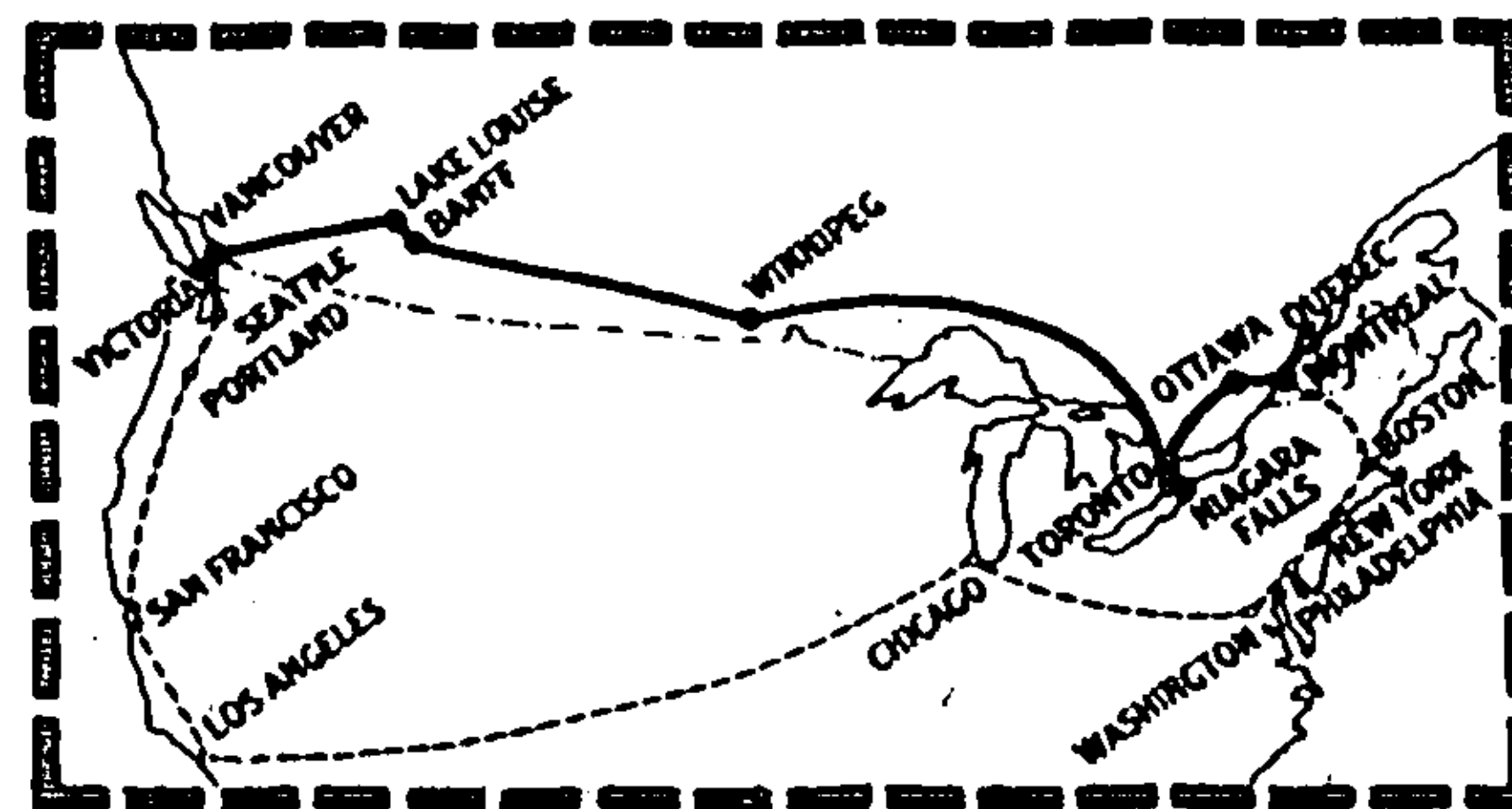
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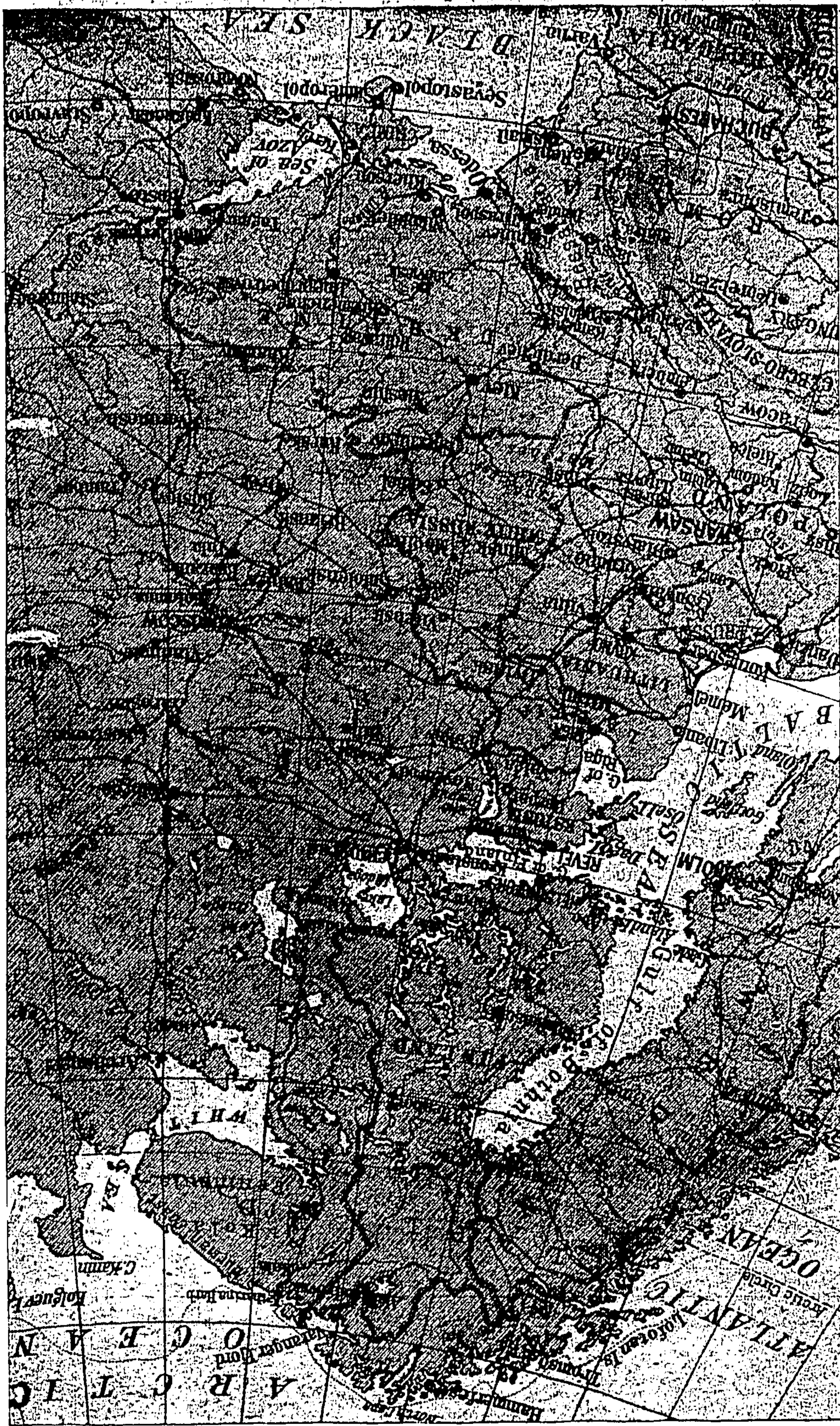
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## ATTACKED GIRL'S LEAP

Attacked in her home by a strange man, a young wife leaped from a bedroom window, but was then stabbed and bitten and had to barricade herself in the house.

This was alleged at Kenilworth, Warwickshire, recently, when Irvine Hartley, 25, of Sunningdale-avenue, Coventry, was sent for trial on a charge of attempting to murder Mrs. Barbara Joyce Dunn, 23, farmer's wife, of Roundell-lane, Kenilworth.

The prosecution alleged that after asking for food, Hartley followed Mrs. Dunn into the house and attacked her. She ran to a bedroom. But the man followed and struck her.

Mrs. Dunn leaped from the bedroom window into the garden. Hartley followed and it was alleged, stabbed her twice with a penknife, making serious wounds. Mrs. Dunn still resisted, and he bit her fingers and nose, then dragged her by the legs along the garden path.

Apparently frightened, Hartley went to get Mrs. Dunn some water. She barricaded herself in the house. The man brandished a chopper, then asked her to swear on the Bible that she would tell no one. Mrs. Dunn produced a book.

Hartley went away—and later rang up a doctor.

## BOMBING ADVICE

The Archbishop of Canterbury said the other day that the ruthless and indiscriminate bombing of the British people should not be answered by "mere retaliation" on the German people.

"I do not believe that the great majority of British folk, even in the bombed areas, really want such a policy," he stated.

"It is to be hoped that the Government, some of whose members have been using disquieting language, will resist any pressure and make it clear that they will adhere to their own policy as declared recently by the Secretary for Air." (This was to concentrate always on military objectives.)

The Archbishop was opening the Upper House of Convocation of Canterbury. He drew a distinction between the inevitable civilian losses caused by bombing military objectives and the losses caused by a deliberate policy of attacks on civilians.

He said that a revenge policy would transform indignation into "mere vindictive passion."

## WANT TO SHOW A REAL FIRE

New York's hospitable firemen are irreverently praying for a really big blaze with which to impress three visiting firemen from flame-scarred London.

They shake heads disconsolately as fire alarm after fire alarm in blitzless New York fails to introduce any blaze worthy of being seen by their visitors. District Officer Daniel Ivall and A.F.S. officers Rudolf Haybrook and Clarence Palmer.

When Haybrook and Palmer stroll about the streets in uniform, crowds rush to shake their hands. One of them was grasped by a civilian who dragged him into store, thrust a beautiful silk tie into his hand and went his way.

Ivall, Palmer and Haybrook are doing a splendid job in telling Americans about the work of London's fire-fighters with a modesty totally devoid of heroic trimmings.

Which leads one to implore the British Government to send more men of this type on trips to the United States.

They spread for more good will for Britain than do our sleek diplomats, dry-as-dust economists and sentimental novelists who are here in swarms.

## ONE MAN EVERY 37 MINUTES

The rapid expansion of the Royal Australian Air Force is illustrated by the fact that at the beginning of this year the number of men being accepted for air crew and ground staff duties was equivalent to one man every 37 minutes—day and night.

The speed up in training facilities was so great that the intake of men into Initial Training Schools was sometimes greater than the total number of men recruited for air crew duties over the same period, although there was no falling off in recruiting. This meant a shorter waiting time for recruits.

The high pass standards achieved by Australians training in Canada under the Empire Air Training Scheme have surprised the authorities, who expressed doubt whether the quality of the first contingents could be maintained. They were assured by the Australian Department of Air that if there were any difference between the first Australian trainees and those who followed, could only be that the standard would improve.

The first contingent of Australians completed their course in Canada at the end of last year, about the same time that the third party was arriving from the Commonwealth.

Speaking in the Canadian House of Commons Mr. Power, the Minister for Air, said that the men from Australia and New Zealand had proved to be of the very best material. They had given an example to and served as a model for the young men of Canada. Compared with what had been expected the percentage of wastage or failure had been extremely low.

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# A. K. RUMJAHN BEATEN IN BACK-STROKE

Highlight of the swimming trials at the V. R. C. last evening, preparatory to the selection of the Combined V.R.C.-European Y. M. C. A. team for the contest against Combined Chinese in the gala arranged for August 9, was the defeat of A. K. Rumjahn in the 50 Yards back-stroke by T. Lopes who was timed at 32 2/5 secs. against Rumjahn's 33 4/5.

In fairness to Rumjahn, however, it must be stated that he had, a few minutes before this race, taken part in the 50 Yards free-style event, and in view of this the Committee in charge of the selections have decided to hold another trial over this distance on Thursday.

A further trial will be held on Tuesday as the turn-out yesterday was affected by Volunteer duties.

D. Hutchinson was seeded in the men's events while in the Ladies' section the Misses V. Churn, J. Anderson, C. Gutierrez and L. Lopes were exempted from the trials.

## Results

Results of yesterday's events were:  
Men's 100 Yards free-style: L. Roza-Pereira, 62 2/5 secs.; L. A. Benn 64 1/5 secs.

Ladies' 50 Yards free-style: Miss M. Noronha, 37 secs.; Miss E. Grant, 37 1/5 secs.; Miss Y. Yell.

Men's 50 Yards free-style (First Heat): G. Saunders, 26 2/5 secs.; J. Fenton, 28 1/5 secs. (Second Heat): E. A. Roberts, 25 3/5 secs.; B. S. Wilson, 27 secs.; L. Roza-Pereira; A. K. Rumjahn.

Members' 50 Yards back-stroke Handicap: T. A. Rull, 42 secs.; A. B. Carvalho, 39 4/5 secs.; L. M. Remedios (Second Heat): J. L. Fenton, 37 secs.; F. A. Noronha, 38 secs.

Men's 50 Yards back-stroke: T. Lopes, 32 2/5 secs.; A. K. Rumjahn, 33 4/5 secs.; B. S. Wilson.

## WATER POLO RESULTS

Following are the results of matches in the Y.M.C.A. Invitation Water-Polo tournament played at "Y" pool last night:

|                                  |   |                                 |   |
|----------------------------------|---|---------------------------------|---|
| Navy "C"                         | 5 | 8th Regt., R.A.                 | 1 |
| Wilson (2), Rice (2) and Gardner |   | McNulty                         |   |
| Middlesex "A"                    | 2 | Royal Scots "A"                 | 2 |
| Birdsey and Bindon               |   | Slater and Hunter               |   |
| Middlesex "B"                    | 1 | Signals                         | 5 |
| Peacock                          |   | Pitcher (3), McCann and Bedford |   |

## Table To Date

|                 | P. | W. | L. | D. | F. | A. | Pts. |
|-----------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|------|
| Signals         | 17 | 16 | 0  | 1  | 97 | 14 | 33   |
| Y.M.C.A.        | 16 | 14 | 2  | 0  | 82 | 18 | 28   |
| Middlesex "A"   | 16 | 13 | 1  | 2  | 85 | 18 | 28   |
| R. Scots "A"    | 16 | 10 | 6  | 1  | 51 | 54 | 22   |
| R. Navy "A"     | 15 | 10 | 4  | 1  | 55 | 33 | 21   |
| R. Navy "C"     | 16 | 8  | 6  | 2  | 45 | 41 | 18   |
| Combined Small  |    |    |    |    |    |    |      |
| Units           | 16 | 8  | 7  | 1  | 43 | 53 | 17   |
| 8th Regt., R.A. | 14 | 5  | 7  | 2  | 39 | 35 | 12   |
| Middlesex "B"   | 15 | 4  | 10 | 1  | 29 | 57 | 9    |
| 5th, A.A. Regt. |    |    |    |    |    |    |      |
| R.A.            | 14 | 3  | 9  | 2  | 31 | 45 | 8    |
| 96th Bty., R.A. | 16 | 2  | 12 | 2  | 28 | 79 | 6    |
| R. Navy "B"     | 10 | 2  | 7  | 1  | 11 | 40 | 5    |
| 36th Bty., R.A. | 14 | 1  | 12 | 1  | 10 | 67 | 3    |
| R. Scots "B"    | 15 | 0  | 14 | 1  | 15 | 68 | 1    |

Canadian-Chinese girls are hoping to form a basketball team in the near future, and a meeting will be held next Tuesday.

Victoria Recreation Club are holding heats this afternoon at 6 p.m. in preparation for the club swimming gala on Saturday.



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## HONG KONG BOWLING ALLEYS

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Ma Nai-kwong, of Chung Hwa, coming home on a bad throw during the game between Chung Hwa and South China on Saturday, which the former won by 6 runs to 3. The catcher is Harold Wingtee.

# SHANGHAI GOLFERS OF TODAY AND YESTERDAY

ONE IS OFTEN ASKED HOW DO THE PRESENT LEADING GOLFERS HERE COMPARE WITH THE STALWARTS OF YESTER-YEAR, WRITES A "CHINA PRESS," SHANGHAI, CORRESPONDENT. GOING BACK OVER THE PAST FIFTEEN YEARS WE HAVE SEEN MANY GOOD GOLFERS COME AND GO, BUT DOES THE QUALITY CHANGE? WE DOUBT IT.

## BERNARD CARSLAKE PASSES

BERNARD CARSLAKE, ONE OF THE LEADING ENGLISH JOCKEYS FOR 40 YEARS, DIED AT HIS HOME NEAR SALISBURY YESTERDAY AGED 55.

Carlsake, who was born in Australia, was the last link of the great days of Edwardian jockeys and was always one of the most "stylish" riders in the history of racing.

On the outbreak of the war in 1914 Carlsake, who was twice champion jockey, was in Austria-Hungary but escaped from Austria disguised as a fireman on a railway engine and reached Rumania, where he rode a number of winners in 1915.

Soon afterwards he went to Russia where he also became champion jockey. He escaped from there when the revolution broke out and reached England after a series of thrilling adventures.

He won most of the important races in England, but never rode a Derby winner.—Reuter.

## HITCH-HIKES 150 MILES TO FIGHT

FOUR BOXERS STRENGTHENED THEIR CLAIMS FOR BRITISH TITLE FIGHTS WHEN THEY APPEARED IN THE RED CROSS TOURNAMENT AT LEICESTER, WHERE A CAPACITY CROWD OF 6,000 SAW SOME GOOD SPORT.

The were Tom Reddington (heavyweight), Harry Lazar (lightweight), Freddie Mills (middleweight) and Eddie Ryan (welterweight).

Mills, whose long sequence of wins has placed him high among the challengers to Jock McAvoy, had to "hitch-hike" 150 miles in order to get to Leicester in time to meet Sadd. He had missed the weigh-in, earlier in the day, but was in time for the contest; out-fought Sadd in close-quarter fighting; and then was promised a lift in a car back to his R.A.F. station.

## Points Decisions

Reddington outpointed George Markwick, Lazar outpointed George Bridges, Mills beat Ginger Sadd, who retired at the end of the 8th round, and Eddie Ryan beat Harry Craster on points.

Reddington was far more accurate than usual, and showed fine speed in forcing the fight against the plucky opponent.

Lazar, after a clear-cut points victory over Bridges, announced through his manager that he was prepared to meet Eric Bobb, British lightweight champion, in a little fight for any sidestake up to £10,000.—Reuter.

You strike your form in a competition, you win it. If you are off that putter, just getting a wee bit right hand in on the driver, or, perhaps, hitting from the top of your swing, it's a certainty you are dead set out of the running.

Consider J. B. Ferrier, Budd, Blinco, Mitchell (Army), Broadhurst (Marines), Harrison, Malcolm and Barrett all were great golfers on their day, but easy to beat when off a bit. So it will go on in local golf. The standard varies very little, but with increased interest in the game, competition may get greater and so, the future champions will not stand out so individually as some of their predecessors.

## The Courses

The condition of the courses has a great deal to do with the scores, for if a golfer gets off to a good start he gains confidence and it takes a major disaster to stop him. But woe behold him should he strike a bad patch in the championship, especially at the beginning of the first round, for he may well finish last, because nothing is so heartbreaking to a golfer as having to carry a couple of sevens or an eight with him for two days.

Hungao course is in fine condition, the greens have never been better and the surroundings are conducive to tranquility, if you are hitting them straight. Good scores should be the rule rather than the exception on this course, but it is seldom so. There are seven 3-par holes and, at least, another four possible threes and yet, it is doubtful if the average return, even in friendly week-end games, exceeds five. Seekingao is a different proposition. It was more open, but following a generous donation of trees from a member this openness is minimised. The planting of so many trees has been a great improvement and they make even the short handicap man think twice before banging at one.

## "Where Do Balls Go?"

The great question troubling all local golfers is "Will there be any balls to play with by September?" In the good

# RECREIO "A" MAKE FEW CHANGES FOR SATURDAY'S GAME AGAINST K.B.G.C. "A"

RECREIO "A" WILL BE AT HOME TO KOW-LOON BOWLING GREEN "A" AND ONLY A COUPLE OF CHANGES HAVE BEEN MADE IN THE TEAM THAT BEAT THEIR OWN "B" TEAM LAST WEEK. J. F. V. RIBEIRO WILL HAVE THE SAME FOUR, BUT C. M. SILVA, WHO PLAYED NO. 2 TO ALVES LAST WEEK, WILL GO TO LUZ'S RINK, IN THE SAME POSITION, TO CHANGE PLACES WITH C. ROZA-PEREIRA.

Two of the "B" rinks remain intact, but in J. J. Basto's four, C. H. Basto, who was No. 3 last week, will move up to No. 2 with C. A. Lopes, an absentee last week, returning to his usual place at No. 3. C. C. Pereira retains his Second Division rink, but E. Barros drops out of Carvalho's four, and his place as lead will be taken by L. A. Rosario, who was No. 2 last week. A. V. Barros, No. 2 to Soares last week, will come into this rink as No. 2.

A. P. Pereira, who was playing in Third Division last week, takes over the third rink from J. R. Soares, who moves up to No. 3 to displace C. M. S. Alves, No. 2 this week. A. V. Barros, who will be playing in Carvalho's four on Saturday, was Soares' No. 2.

The Third Division team has been considerably changed about. Yvanovich will have a new No. 2 in A. M. Silva, in place of G. Gutierrez, who goes to the same position, vice J. A. Remedios, in the second rink, which will be skipped by Alarcon instead of the promoted Pereira. No. 1 here will be Ribeiro instead of M. Gutierrez, with Mendonca keeping his place as No. 3. M. F. Pinna will have Campos as No. 2 to replace H. M. Xavier, promoted to No. 3 in place of A. A. da Roza.

## Selected Teams

Following are the selected teams:  
First Division "A" (v. K.B.G.C. "A", home):—F. X. Silva, C. Roza-Pereira, J. E. Noronha, H. A. Alves (skip); Joe Luz, C. E. Marques, L. F. Xavier, J. P. V. Ribeiro (skip); F. X. Soares, C. M. da Silva, F. V. V. Ribeiro, R. F. Luz (skip).

First Division "B" (v. Cralgenpower C.C., home):—D. C. Alves, C. H. Basto, C. A. Lopes, J. J. Basto (skip); F. A. Machado, A. F. Noronha, J. C. Remedios, E. Sousa (skip); C. F. Vas, A. M. Xavier, A. M. Rodrigues, A. P. Gutierrez (skip).

Second Division (v. Talkoo, away):—A. J. Osmund, C. M. S. Alves, J. R. Soares, A. P. Pereira (skip); L. A. Rosario, A. V. Barros, H. R. Pinna, M. A. Carvalho (skip); E. Cunha, F. A. Xavier, J. A. Remedios, C. C. Pereira (skip).

Third Division (v. Kowloon B.G.C., away):—G. A. Pinna, A. M. Silva, E. A. R. Alves, P. Yvanovich (skip); Arthur Ribeiro, G. Gutierrez, M. Mendonca, M. F. Alarcon (skip); F. P. Sequeira, R. A. Campos, H. M. Xavier, M. F. Pinna (skip).

old days when golf balls were a dollar and a half you always got back your lost balls. Now at \$58.50 you seldom do. It reminds one of that old music hall song "Where do flies go in the winter?" We could tell them where the golf balls go that are never found!

The purloining—as one of the Council's leading advisers would put it—of balls is particularly despicable at present, because fresh stocks are not arriving and even the "pivot boys" are having to smash around the courses with a rather bedraggled Topflite or 65.

Was it Byron who said inter alia "With all thy faults I love thee still!" So it is with golf, we mean, cuss, groan, but go on hoping for that great day when we will just bust the course record.

# Easier Golf

## WHAT PRACTICE CAN DO

By Best Ball

Ellsworth Vines' triumph in the Bobby Jones Trophy tournament, in which he scored a 67-61 for two rounds over a par 68 course, affords an object lesson to the average player of just what determination and a lot of practice will do. Perhaps it was Vines' great spirit of competition which led him to take up golf seriously. A tennis champion, one of the greatest of all, used to consistency in play he was intrigued and challenged by the inconsistency of his play in golf. Schooled in achieving perfection in tennis strokes he could be satisfied with no less a degree of perfection in golf.

Naturally every player does not possess Vines' competitive temperament nor do they have the time to practice the game in the same measure he devoted to it. Yet even in fewer and briefer practice sessions there lies a



chance for potential improvement. It only remains for the player to make up his mind to develop a better game. Next Article: —Correct Turf.

## K.B.G.C. BOWLS RESULTS

Following are the latest lawn bowls tournament results at Kowloon Bowling Green Club—CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

First Round:—T. Coleman beat A. J. Rogers; R. Morrison beat E. Nibb.

PRESIDENT'S CUP

First Round:—L. A. Jordan beat G. Thompson.

VICE-PRESIDENT'S CUP

First Round:—R. Duncan beat C. E. Langley.

NON-PRIZE WINNERS COMPETITION

First Round:—A. G. Gardner beat A. J. Rogers; F. C. Clement beat F. W. Glicker; P. Holloway received a walk-over from F. A. Peckham.

HANDICAP SINGLE

First Round:—M. Forde (66-) beat W. J. Geall (61); F. Chessman (62) received a walk-over from A. P. Phillips (61); C. E. Turpin (61) beat G. W. Deacon (57).

Hong Kong and Kowloon Residents' Union will hold their fourth swimming gala at Lanchow on Saturday, commencing at 7.30 p.m.

In a hockey match at Shamshupo on Saturday last H.Q. Company Middlesex Regiment shared eight goals with Khalsa.

"Kid" Souza, a Portuguese boxer, was wounded in a Shanghai cabaret on July 19, when he was fired on by terrorists who attempted to bomb the cabaret, according to a "China Press" report.



## FIVE AT LAST END DECIDES

Four of the postponed Colony Lawn Bowls Pairs Championship Second Round games were decided last evening, outstanding feature of which was the win scored by Harris and Soutar, of Police Recreation Club, over Skyes and Gill, of Kowloon Bowling Green Club.

Scores at the penultimate head in this game were 19-16 in favour of Gill, but a 5 at the last end for Soutar and his partner gave them passage into the Third Round.

### Last Minute Rally

At Kowloon Football Club W. B. Harris and A. Soutar beat L. R. Skyes and J. C. Gill 21-19.

Gill was leading up to the 20th head when the scores stood at 19-16 in his favour, but a five at the last end for the Police pair gave them victory when it appeared that Gill and his partner had as good as qualified for the Third Round.

Gill and Skyes were playing the better brand of bowls, though in the later stages the Police pair improved considerably.

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### Win By 29

D. A. Rosario and J. S. Landolt beat J. H. Gelling and H. O. Wallington 36-7 at Police Recreation Club.

Landolt and his partner were much too good for their opponents who were allowed to score at only 5 ends. Up to the 10th Wallington had only 4, all from singles, but at the next head they scored a 3 only to be blanked for the remaining four heads.

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### Dall's Big Win

W. McLeod and W. Dall beat B. A. Mansell and G. E. Stephens by 30-12 at Civil Service Cricket Club.

The game was too one-sided to be of any interest although the losers promised great things when they started off with a four and then, after having been blanked for three ends in a row, regained the lead, 9-7 at the 7th.

Thereafter, however, the Police pair asserted their superiority and scored another 23 shots while allowing their opponents only three singles.

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### Recreio Pair Up

At Kowloon Cricket Club B. Basto and H. R. Pinna beat J. Hurst and G. E. Turpin by 25-15.

The match was fairly even up to the 13th end when the scores were tied at 12-all, but a 4 at the 16th, followed by 14003 gave the Recreio pair a 10-shot win after scoring at only 9 ends.

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### TO-DAY'S TENNIS

Following is to-day's Third Division Lawn Tennis League programme:

|            |   |            |
|------------|---|------------|
| A.T.C.     | v | C.R.C. (1) |
| K.T.G.C.A. | v | H.K.U.T.C. |
| K.C.C.     | v | C.C.C.     |
| C.R.C. (2) | v | S.C.A.A.   |
| K.I.T.C.   | v | I.R.C.     |

A hockey match on roller skates was played yesterday between Blitz and Hong Kong Skating Club "B", ending in a goalless draw.

The Chinese personnel of the Fortress Royal Engineers will celebrate their Golden Jubilee on Friday afternoon with a Swimming Gala in the Army pool, commencing at 2.45 p.m. Competing units are Nos. 1, 2 and 3 Sections of 22nd Fortress Coy. and the Right-half and Left-half Sections of 40th Fortress Coy.

## NO LOGICAL CONTENDERS FOR JOE LOUIS' CROWN

The United States National Boxing Association announced recently that there are no logical contenders to the title of heavyweight champion Joe Louis.

Billy Conn, former light-heavyweight king, was rated no better than Max Baer and Lou Nova, the three being grouped as "outstanding boxers". Baer has been an "outstanding boxer" in N.B.A. ratings since he dropped the world's championship to Jimmy Braddock. Nova was promoted because of good showing.

Succeeding Conn at the top of the light-heavy division was Antonio Christophoridis, of Greece. Jimmie Webb,

## EXCITING BASKETBALL PROMISED

An interesting and hard-fought match should be witnessed at Kowloon Chinese Y.M.C.A. this evening, when Sing Tao, holders of the All-Colony Chinese Basketball League, clash with their strongest rivals in the same League, South China, in the Open Basketball League for the Wu Teh Chen Cup. The match will start at 8.30 p.m.

In the curtain-raiser, at 7.30 p.m., Indian Police will meet the strong National University squad.

## HOLDS 20 CEYLON RECORDS

At a Records Meet held at the Kandy Y.M.C.A. Gymnasium under the auspices of Ceylon Amateur Weightlifters' Association recently T. S. J. Packeer Ally, 9 stone champion of Ceylon, created the following records:

1. Right hand clean and jerk—110½ lbs. record in the 9, 10 and 11 stone classes.
2. Left hand clean and jerk—107 lbs. record in the 9 stone class.
3. Two hands clean and press from behind neck—124 lbs. record in the 9 stone, 10, 11 and 12 stone classes.
4. Two hands clean and jerk from behind neck—184½ lbs. record in the 9, 10, 11 and 12 stone classes.

He also won a first class certificate of merit on the Pull Over and "Press on Back" without Bridge by doing 141 lbs. The record on the "Two hands clean" and "Press from Behind" neck stood at 122 lbs. from 25/5/41 when Winston Pereira (Combo Samson Institute) established it in the 8 stone class, from which it travelled up to the 12 stone class.

The Two Hands clean and jerk from Behind Neck record of 184½ lbs. established by Packeer Ally beats his own record of 161½ lbs. held by him since April, 1940.

PACKEER ALLY IS NOW THE HOLDER OF 20 CEYLON RECORDS.

## CRAIGENGOWER TENNIS WIN

At Happy Valley yesterday, Craigengower Cricket Club beat Army Tennis Club by 7 sets to 2 in Fourth Division of the Tennis League.

K. M. Au and C. M. Lee (C.C.C.) beat Q.M.S. Ford and L/Cpl Stoner 6-4

beat Spr. Elsley and Sergt. Aisey 6-0

beat S/Sergt. Mitchell and Sergt. Musson 6-4

Y. H. Leung and Y. C. Mok (C.C.C.) beat Ford and Stoner 6-0

lost to Elsley and Aisey 3-6

beat Mitchell and Musson 6-4

M. C. Hung and P. C. Yu (C.C.C.) beat Ford and Stoner 6-3

lost to Elsley and Aisey 2-6

beat Mitchell and Musson 6-2

### Table To Date

|              | Sets | P. | W. | L. | D.  | F.  | A. | Pts. |
|--------------|------|----|----|----|-----|-----|----|------|
| S.C.A.A.     | 8    | 8  | 0  | 0  | 60½ | 11½ | 18 |      |
| C.C.C.       | 7    | 6  | 1  | 0  | 47½ | 15½ | 12 |      |
| C.R.C.       | 7    | 6  | 1  | 0  | 45  | 18  | 12 |      |
| F.C.         | 8    | 5  | 3  | 0  | 43  | 20  | 10 |      |
| A.T.C.       | 8    | 3  | 4  | 1  | 35½ | 35½ | 6  |      |
| I.R.C.       | 7    | 3  | 3  | 1  | 25  | 38  | 7  |      |
| C.B.A.       | 6    | 2  | 4  | 0  | 22½ | 28½ | 4  |      |
| P.O.R.C. (1) | 7    | 2  | 5  | 0  | 20  | 43  | 4  |      |
| J.R.C.       | 7    | 1  | 6  | 0  | 20  | 43  | 2  |      |
| P.O.R.C. (2) | 7    | 1  | 6  | 0  | 13  | 50  | 2  |      |
| K.I.T.C.     | 6    | 0  | 6  | 0  | 7½  | 48½ | 0  |      |

## UGLY SCENE IN INTERNATIONAL SOCCER MATCH

Clydeside took a couple of hours off from the war on Saturday, (May 3) and went back to work the better for the break, Mr. Bevin, writes L. V. Manning.

I should say the crowd at Hampden was the biggest assembled on any football ground since the first sirens—over 80,000—but the correct figures are still hush-hush. This is not yet official.

If the receipts are far short of £10,000 I'll be surprised, and all the profits go to some charity. The match was free of tax, so there will be big money to divide.

Which brings me to a grouse which is mine—not the players. When war blew contracts sky

high few workers were hit so harshly—unfairly is a better word—as the football professional.

### Opportunity Missed

That has not prevented the victims generously answering the charity match call on countless occasions and they have been told over and over again they would not be forgotten.

Before the match the English players were informed they would be paid the same as the Scots—£2.

It is my opinion that both the Scottish and English F.A. have missed an opportunity of recognising in a practical way the services of men who not only made this match worthy of a big crowd but have done something important for the game's shaded future.

### Tale Of A Shirt

Moreover there was a lot of avoidable irritation caused in the English dressing room by the decision not to allow the team to keep their shirts, a usual concession in international matches and one which on Saturday would have been particularly appreciated by the young players making their first appearance at Hampden. Such gestures cost little but mean much.

### Ugly Incidents

How seriously the players took the match, well won 3-1 by England, found expression unfortunately in an

ugly attack late in the game on the fallen English goalkeeper which should have earned more than a caution for Venters, and was followed by incidents in which only Walker of the Scottish forwards escapes criticism so far as I am concerned.

Bacuzzi and Cullis were happily checked by the English captain from giving too free expression to their indignation.

It is up to the Scottish F.A. to take the disciplinary action the regrettable outburst demands.

### Don Does It Again

Don Welsh put up something of a record by scoring his sixth goal for England in two weeks. Swift dived late when Venters scored Scotland's goal. Mammon top class if he could grow a bit. Bacuzzi better than I thought he was. Poor Scotland team, but there's always Dawson.

A meeting of the soccer section of Hong Kong Football Club will be held in the Clubhouse at 8 p.m. this evening.

Members of Hong Kong Police Rifle Club have their own miniature range at the back of Central Police Station, and it is here that the team fires off its postal matches in the Miniature Rifle League. It is only a 20-yard range and for that reason the targets used by members of the Police team are smaller than those in use by other clubs who have a 25-yard range.

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# ATTEMPT TO CAPTURE MOSCOW ABANDONED?

## Russo-German War Enters On New Phase

### POLISH GESTURE TO RUSSIA

SPEAKING AFTER MR. EDEN AT THE FOREIGN PRESS LUNCHEON IN LONDON YESTERDAY, THE POLISH PREMIER, GENERAL SIKORSKI, SAID MARTYRED POLAND, WHERE NOBODY COULD BE FOUND TO SUPPORT A POLICY OF COMPROMISE WITH GERMANY, WAS WHOLEHEARTEDLY IN THE CAMP OF THE DEFENDERS OF FREEDOM OF THE WORLD.

General Sikorski continued: "The Polish nation firmly stands with the British and American Democracies and now will not hesitate to come to an agreement of collaboration with Russia on honourable and just terms."

"We are acting in accordance with the interests of the Polish *raison d'etat* and are ready to assist everything which accelerates the victory which is certain." — Reuter.

### U.S. SHIP BUILDING

IMPRESSIVE INCREASES ARE NOTED IN CURRENT SHIP CONSTRUCTION IN NORTH AMERICA AS COMPARED WITH THE VOLUME REPORTED A YEAR AGO, SAYS THE "SEATTLE TIMES."

For instance, 826 ships, with a total of 5,350,000 gross tons, were on the ways or under contract in American shipyards on June 1, 1941, as compared with 287 vessels of 1,528,260 gross tons on July 1, 1940. — Reuter.

### Nazis Still Hope For Soviet Collapse

"THE LATEST GERMAN STATEMENTS SHOW THAT THE GERMANS HAVE GIVEN UP THE INTENTION OF PUSHING DIRECTLY TO MOSCOW AND OF ADVANCING DEEP INTO RUSSIA, AND ARE TRYING TO EFFECT TACTICAL SUCCESSES WITHIN THE GENERAL TURMOIL," SAYS THE ZURICH "NATIONAL ZEITUNG."

"This does not correspond with expectations raised at the beginning of the war after the relatively easy capture of Russian frontier areas."

"Their communications, stretching over hundreds of kilometres, continually threatened by systematic enemy guerilla action, interrupted at dozens of places and bombarded by a still very active enemy air force, the Germans' problem is to maintain coherence between their advanced posts and bases," the newspaper continues.

"That means a great loss of time. Delay is of great advantage to Britain in putting the last touches to the islands' defences and in carrying out air attacks against the German armament industry," it concludes.

#### Nazi Hope

The Berlin correspondent of the "Basler Nachrichten" says that German military experts are

hoping that the fighting on the eastern front, like the Somme and Aisne battles of the last war, will end with a sudden enemy collapse.

The correspondent, however, adds these experts admit the comparison is limited because Soviet Russia, unlike France, "still disposes of enormously great and intact reserves." — Reuter.

#### Soviet Communique

A Soviet communique says stubborn fighting continues in the directions of Novorzhevsk, Nevel, Smolensk and Zhitomir.

Fighting is particularly heavy in the Smolensk direction where Soviet troops dislodged enemy units as a result of a counter-attack.

There is little activity in the remaining sectors.

Seventy-four German planes were brought down during July 27 and 28. — Reuter.

### AMERICA'S BLACK-LIST

The United States has issued a list of 1,834 persons trading in Latin-America, said Mr. Hugh Dalton, Minister of Economic Warfare, in the House of Commons yesterday.

Mr. Dalton was replying to a question as to what extent progress had been made as between Britain and the U.S. in producing a black-list of traders.

The majority of these traders, continued Mr. Dalton, also appeared in the British statutory list.

He was consulting the U.S. Government on co-ordination of the two lists.

Cheers greeted Mr. Dalton when he added: "This new departure will be of the greatest value to us in waging economic warfare, and I am sure the House will wish to join with me in welcoming this striking act of American cooperation."

Mr. Dalton replied in the affirmative when asked if consideration was now being given to the question of Japanese enemy trade. — Reuter.

### NEW MINISTER IN KABUL

The appointment of Sir Francis Verner Wylie as Minister at Kabul when the present Minister, Lt.-Col. Sir Kerr Fraser-Tyler, vacates the position, has been approved by the King, announces the Foreign Office in London.

Sir Francis was Governor-General of Central Provinces and Berar from 1936 to 1940. — Reuter.

### STOP PRESS

The Japanese motor-vessel, Shirogane Maru, left Hong Kong for Canton this morning with a full list of passengers.

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## MARKING TIME IN FAR EAST Japanese Occupation Proceeding

### READY TO DESTROY OILFIELDS

"In the case of an extreme urgency, oil wells and refineries in the Dutch East Indies would be effectively destroyed," was the statement made by M. Loudon, Dutch Minister in Washington, yesterday.

M. Loudon was addressing representatives of the press while waiting to confer with Mr. Sumner Welles, U.S. Under-Secretary of State.

"ALL MEASURES HAVE BEEN TAKEN FOR SOME TIME AND CAN BE PUT INTO EFFECT IMMEDIATELY TO ENSURE THE COMPLETE DESTRUCTION OF OIL FIELDS AND REFINERIES."

"There will be no hesitation in the destruction of the oil industry in the island if we are forced to do so."

M. Loudon conferred with Mr. Welles on developments in the Far East, with particular reference to the dangers threatening the Dutch East Indies. He refused to comment on the general situation to the press. — Reuter.

### NAZI INTRIGUE EXPOSED

In connection with the seizure of pseudo-diplomatic parcels in Buenos Aires, Reuter learns that the text of the secret message found hidden in the German wireless transmitter is:—

"TO LA PAZ. IF IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO LEAVE LIMA YOU MUST OBEY STRICTLY ORDERS RECEIVED AT THE MEETING OF AMBASSADORS AT SANTIAGO."

The message was decoded by Argentine Army code experts.

It is recalled that the German Minister at La Paz last week was asked to leave Bolivia for his part in the plot to overthrow the Government.

Some months ago, all German ambassadors and ministers in South America held a secret meeting at Santiago which it is believed was held in connection with the uniform policy throughout South America. — Reuter.

### JAPANESE SHIPS BANNED IN AUSTRALIA

Licences for Japanese ships to load at Australian ports have been withdrawn, according to shipping companies in Sydney, says Reuter.

### HARD FREEZING INTENDED

[BY REUTER'S DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT]

Reports current to the effect that the British and American measures taken in respect of Japanese assets are unlikely to be applied in an effective manner, find no support in authoritative quarters in London.

It is perfectly true that the machinery of prohibition which has been created contains provisions by which licences may be granted in respect of individual transactions.

Nevertheless the immediate effect of the measures taken has been to put a complete stop on a trade and there are no valid grounds for assuming there is any intention of grant licences on a large scale or in such a way as to render the measures ineffective.

While it is impossible to forecast the course of events or to form any estimate of the manner in which discretion to grant licences will be exercised in future, it can at least be said with tolerable certainty that there appears to be no prospect whatever of any important relaxation of the machinery while it remains clear that an aggressive Japanese policy is maintained. — Reuter.

### NO WITHDRAWAL FROM CANTON

Contrary to Chinese reports from Hong Kong, there is no sign of the withdrawal of Japanese civilians from Canton, says a Reuter Special message from the Kwangtung capital.

## No Soft-Pedal On Programme Of Economic War

WHILE JAPANESE OCCUPATION OF MILITARY, NAVAL AND AIR BASES IN SOUTHERN INDO-CHINA IS PROCEEDING RAPIDLY TO TIME SCHEDULE, THERE HAS BEEN NO FURTHER IMPORTANT DEVELOPMENT IN THE FAR EAST SITUATION.

In Washington, however, it is anticipated that further steps may be announced with President Roosevelt's return to the White House, while Mr. Sumner Welles has repudiated the suggestion that economic sanctions against Japan might be watered down to meaninglessness.

The Acting Secretary of State, Mr. Sumner Welles, told his press conference in Washington yesterday the U.S. had given no assurance to Japan that licences would be issued to permit continued trading.

Explaining that clearance would be given to Japanese ships leaving U.S. ports under present conditions, he said individual licences would be required for every transaction involving Japanese cargoes.

This also affected the purchase of food, fuel and any other goods required by Japanese ships in U.S. ports.

Asked whether Japan had been given an assurance that these licences would be issued, Mr. Welles emphatically declared no such promise had been given.

### N.E.I. Oil Position

Regarding Japanese reports of the abrogation of the 1940 Petroleum Agreement, it was authoritatively stated in Batavia yesterday that there is no such agreement.

A CERTAIN AGREEMENT WAS CONCLUDED BETWEEN THE OIL COMPANIES WHICH, HOWEVER, SINCE MONDAY LOST ITS EFFECT OWING TO THE DOLLAR PAYMENT CLAUSE.

### "Limited" Scope

The Franco-Japanese protocol providing the joint defence of Indo-China, recognises that a threat to Indo-China would endanger Japan and East Asia.

It renews earlier pledges to respect Indo-China sovereignty and to refrain from anti-Japanese involvements.

Both parties agree: First, to a mutual promise of military cooperation in the joint defence of Indo-China.

Second, special arrangements for such cooperation.

Thirdly, these stipulations are valid only "so long as the situation which motivated their adoption exists." — Reuter.

### Camranh Bay

Japanese troops of occupation have begun to instal themselves at Camranh Bay, says a Reuter message from Saigon.

### Thousands Landing

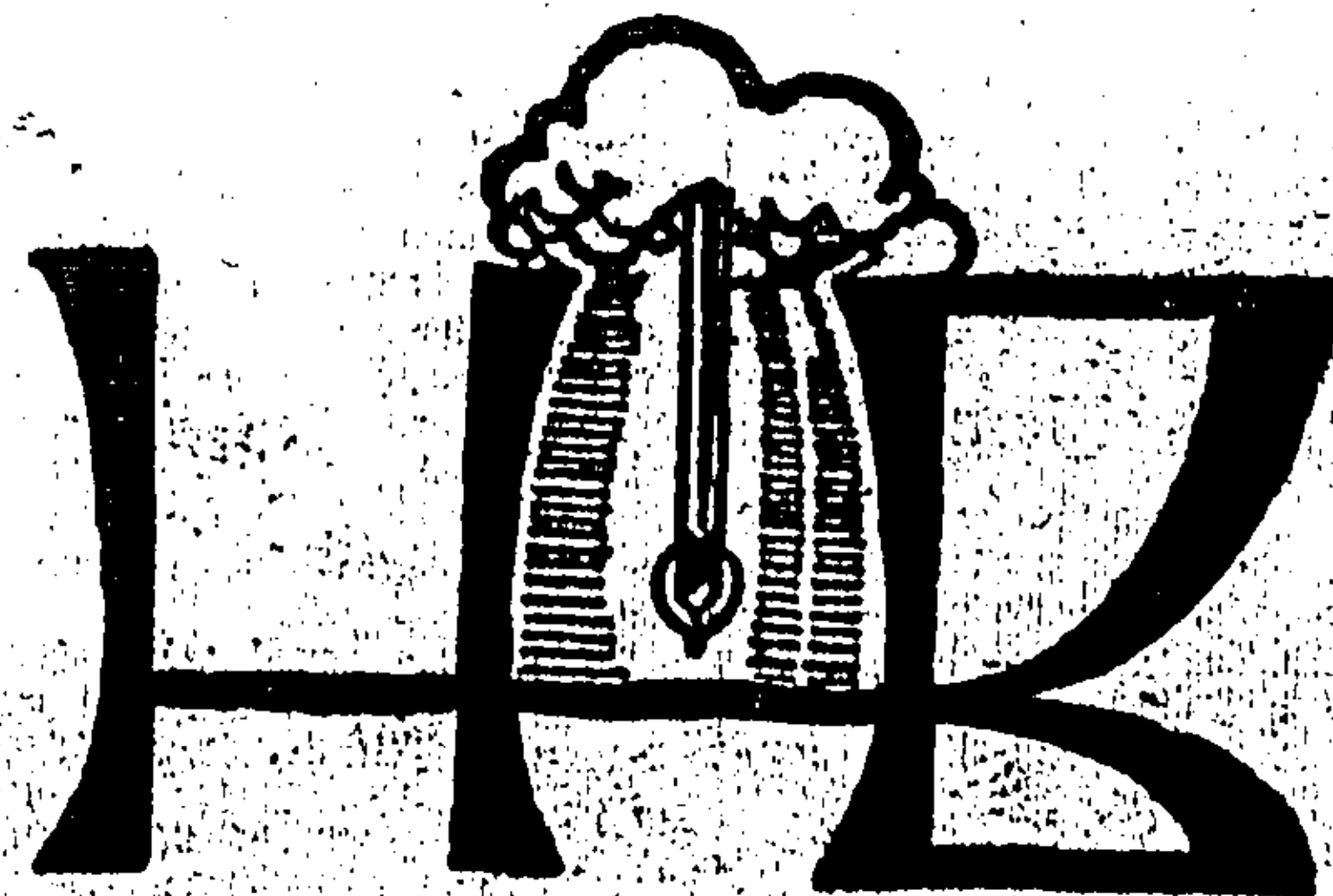
[SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"] Thousands of Japanese troops (Continued on Page 16)

### "KEEP TOKYO POLICY IN THE DARK"

[SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"]

It is reported in Washington that Mr. Sumner Welles, Under-Secretary of State, and Lord Halifax, British Ambassador, have reached an understanding on a "keep Tokyo in the dark" policy.—International News Service.

HAVE AN H.B.—



—AND THEN TRY!



# REPLY TO ARMS DRIVE CRITICS

Mr. Churchill's Survey In The Commons

## After-Dunkirk Effort Surpassed

**DEALING WITH THE** situation in armaments filling factories, the Prime Minister, in his statement in the House of Commons yesterday on war production, said the position was not as it was in the last war, when there had to be an intense effort to feed the guns from day to day.

We were piling up satisfactory reserves with no immediate outflow.

Coming to the more general charges of slackness and inefficiency in factories, voiced in the recent debate, Mr. Churchill quoted Sir J. S. Wardlaw-Milne, who said Britain was only working up to 75 per cent. of its possible efficiency.

THIS SENTENCE, SAID MR. CHURCHILL, HAD BEEN WRESTED FROM ITS CONTEXT. IT WAS SERIOUS WHEN IT WAS BROADCAST APART FROM ITS CONTEXT.

He had to think of its effect in Australia, where party politics were pursued with robust detachment.

### Brunt Of Fighting

Australian troops were bearing with great distinction much of the brunt of the fighting in the Middle East and it must have been very painful to Australia to be told that Britain was only making a three-quarters' effort to put the proper weapons in their hands.

IN AMERICA SUCH A STATEMENT WAS MEAT AND DRINK TO THE ISOLATIONISTS.

Americans were asked to pay higher taxes, to give up food, to alter their daily lives, to reduce their holidays and to go without pleasures of all kinds, in order to help Britain, and they were deeply disturbed when they were told on what seemed to them to be a high British authority that Britain was only making a three-quarters' effort to help herself.

WHAT WAS IMPORTANT WAS WHETHER THIS STATEMENT WAS TRUE.

### Of What?

Two questions arose: whether it was 75 per cent. and 75 per cent. of what?

Mr. Churchill proceeded: "I take a datum line of three months after Dunkirk, when our people worked to the utmost limit of their powers—men fell exhausted at their lathes and working men and women did not take off their clothes for a week at a time."

"ARE WE WORKING AT ONLY 75 PER CENT. OF THAT?"

"There are a few reasons why we cannot maintain indefinitely the intensive personal effort of a year ago."

"If we are to win this war, and I feel solidly convinced that we shall, it will be largely by staying power. For that purpose there must be one day in seven of rest as a general rule, and there must be one week's holiday yearly."

"We have relaxed to that extent since Dunkirk: if we had not done so we should have had a serious crash."

### Diet Problems

"Next, allowance must be made for the very severe change in diet of heavy manual workers, which is far less stimulating than a year ago."

"Except for our fighting services we have been driven back to a large extent from the carnivorous to the herbivorous which may be satisfactory to dieticians, who would like to make us all live on nuts, but it has produced a definite effect on the output of heavy workers."

"We want meat in mines and foundries, and more cheese. Why should that gratify Lord Haw-Haw?"

"Will Lord Haw-Haw also bear in mind the statement of Mr. Hopkins the other day of the

intent of the United States to see that our people get food, and to keep the sea lanes secure by which food can be brought."

### Great Arrangements

"I know the great arrangements that have been made to send us food in variety and more interesting qualities (cheers) so I do not think I need be told I am helping Lord Haw-Haw."

"If he never gets any more consolation than he gets from me (laughter) his luck will be as hard as his deserts."

"Every effort is being made to supplement food, and I share the hope of the Ministers of Food and Agriculture that our diet in 1942 will be more stimulating and energising than that of 1941."

"I wish it to be known all over the United States how encouraging is their action."

### Dilution And Dispersal

Mr. Churchill also referred to dilution.

He proceeded: "It is estimated that one-third more people are working on war industries than a year ago. Many of them are trainees and dilutees."

"It would not be wonderful if they failed to preserve the same level of output per pair of human hands than that achieved by skilled craftsmen a year or 18 months ago."

"Then there are the air raids, by which the Germans expect to smash our resisting power. There were extraordinary blitzes at our ports and manufacturing centres, restrictions of the black-out, interruption and delays of transportation, which all played their delaying and dislocating part."

"The remedy and counter-measures, proposed and carried through when possible with such extreme vigour by the Supply Department, with Lord Beaverbrook, as Minister of Aircraft Production, in the van, took the form of dispersal."

"This is a matter of life and death to the aircraft industry."

### 45 Sub-Centres

"A great British firm was dispersed into 45 sub-centres. I can give instances of dispersion to 20, 30 or 40 sub-centres."

"All this was achieved at the cost of production but it has placed us in a position, when we paid the cost, where we are immune from mortal damage to our aircraft production and in other branches of munitions from enemy air raids."

"Workpeople may have to be moved from their homes, plant may have to be shifted, and domestic affairs have somehow to be adjusted, often at great sacrifice or hardship."

"It is a marvel what has been done to overcome these grievous and novel difficulties. (Cheers)."

"DESPITE ALL TROUBLES THE MINISTRY OF SUPPLY OUTPUT IN THE LAST THREE MONTHS HAS BEEN ONE-THIRD GREATER THAN IN THE THREE MONTHS OF THE DUNKIRK PERIOD."

"Although our Army, Navy and Air Force are larger, the Ministry have one-third more people working in factories and despite the dislocation of black-outs, dispersion and so on, each man is turning out on the whole each day as much as he did in

that time of almost superhuman effort."

### Cancelled Out

"It may be said that one-third more workers and one-third more output is quits. But it has to be remembered that all adverse factors have been cancelled out."

"We made in the last three months more than twice the field-guns that we made in the Dunkirk period. Munitions are half as much again."

"The combined programme of Merchant and Navy shipbuilding now in active progress is bigger than in any period of the last war although work now is immeasurably more complex than then."

"In aircraft it is foolish to calculate by numbers of machines because of the difference of time in man-hours needed to produce them."

"But the increase, even above the first period of a year ago, is substantial. The increase since this Government took office is enormous."

"I should be proud to tell the House but I am not going to do so because the enemy does not tell us their figures, which we would like to have."

### Spurred On

"You must be content with my assurance that progress and expansion on a great scale are continuous and are remorselessly spurred on."

"This has been accomplished under the fire of the enemy and under air assault which Hitler was led to believe would shatter our industry and reduce us to subjection."

"It has been done in spite of the difficulties of dispersion. It has been done without the sacrifice of quality and has gained both actually and relatively."

"Now air battles are developing again in scale and intensity, we can claim that our fighters are at least as much ahead of the enemy as when we defeated him a year ago."

### Bombing Power

"As to bombers—British production alone, without taking into account American—we have doubled our power of bomb discharge on Germany at 1,500 miles range."

"In the next three months, taking in American reinforcement, we shall double it again, and in the next six months after that we shall redouble it."

"We have ploughed up the land and by the grace of God, we have been granted the greatest harvest in living memory, perhaps the greatest harvest ever known."

"We lost much equipment on the beaches of Dunkirk. Our food is rationed, our meat reduced. We have been bombed and blacked-out."

"BUT EVEN IN THIS SEVENTH QUARTER OF THE WAR OUR TOTAL OUTPUT OF WARLIKE STORES HAS BEEN NEARLY TWICE AS GREAT AS THE OUTPUT IN THE CORRESPONDING SEVENTH QUARTER OF THE LAST WAR, AND HAS EQUALLED OUR OUTPUT IN THE FOURTEENTH, OR CULMINATING PEAK, QUARTER, OF THE LAST WAR."

### An Achievement

"When our new factories become available and when the Minister of Labour has completed his task of collecting workers from unessential industries, we must produce more; but to reach a level in two years which was only reached in the fourth year of the last war, is an achievement which deserves something better than flouts and jeers. (Cheers)."

"WE ARE TOLD HOW BADLY LABOUR IS BEHAVING FROM A NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO NEVER DID A DAY'S WORK IN THEIR LIVES. (LAUGHTER AND CHEERS)."

### HITLER'S STAR ON THE WANE

Speaking on a nationwide hook-up, the National Broadcasting Corporation commentator, Kaltenborn, declared: "In the past six weeks Hitler has done his best and has shown his best, and from now on he is a declining star." —Reuter.

"We had many devastating stoppages and strikes in the last war. In the last two years of it nearly 12 million days were lost through labour disputes."

"During the whole course of this war—23 months—we have lost less than two million days."

"I am anxious to have the latest intelligence. I received information a few minutes before I began to speak that there was no stoppage of work of any kind arising from a trade dispute in any part of Great Britain."

### Serious Warning

"When I look on the whole tumultuous scene of this ever-widening war I think it my duty to give a serious warning to the House and country to be on guard equally against pessimism and against optimism."

"There are no doubt temptations to optimism. It is a fact that mighty Russia, so thoroughly and treacherously assaulted, has struck back with such magnificent strength and courage and brought a prodigious and well-deserved slaughter on the Nazi armies."

"The United States, the greatest single power, is giving us aid on a gigantic scale and is advancing in rising wrath to the very verge of war."

"It is a fact that German air superiority has been broken and air attacks on this country for the time being have almost ceased."

### Battle Of Atlantic

"It is a fact that the Battle of the Atlantic, although far from being won, is, partly from American intervention, moving progressively in our favour."

"It is a fact that the Nile Valley is so much safer than two or three months ago."

"It is a fact that the enemy has lost his pretence of theme and doctrine and has sunk even deeper in moral and intellectual degradation and bankruptcy: that almost all his conquests have proved burdens and worse."

"ALL THIS MASSIVE TOWERING OF FACTS, ON WHICH WE ARE ENTITLED TO DWELL, MUST NOT LEAD, US FOR A MOMENT TO SUPPOSE THAT THE WORST IS OVER."

"The formidable power of Nazi Germany, the vast, destructive munitions they have made, or captured, the skill and ruthlessness of their centralised war direction, the prostrate conditions of so many peoples under their yoke, the resources of so many lands which will be made to some extent available to them—all these restrain, rejoicing, and forbid the slightest relaxation."

### Invasion Season

"It would be madness to suppose that Russia or the United States are going to win this war for us."

"The invasion season is at hand. All the armed forces have been warned to be at concentration at September 1 and to retain the utmost vigilance meanwhile."

"WE HAVE TO RECKON WITH A GAMBLER'S DESPERATION. YET WE STAND HERE, STILL THE CHAMPION. If we fall, all fall, and if we fall, all fall together. It is only by a superb, intense and prolonged

## SOUTH AFRICANS WARNED

All avoidable public and private spending should be avoided and discouraged, Mr. J. H. Hofmeyer, Union Minister for Finance, told South Africans in a speech at Johannesburg yesterday.

Although there was nothing inflationary about the Union's increased note issue since the outbreak of war, which went naturally with increased business activity, there was more money available for spending than was required to finance the production and transfer of available goods, he said.

Mr. Hofmeyer appealed to individuals to exercise rigid economy especially in the purchase of imported goods, to seek cheap substitutes for high priced articles and to abstain from the purchase of fixed property at inflated prices.

He foreshadowed steps to control profiteering and the enforcement of price control. — Reuter.

## AGGRESSIVE PATROLS

AS LOCAL CONDITIONS WERE UNFAVOURABLE OUR OFFENSIVE PATROLS FROM TOBRUK CARRIED OUT ONLY LIMITED OPERATIONS DURING THE NIGHT OF JULY 27/28, SAYS YESTERDAY'S CAIRO COMMUNIQUE.

"In the frontier area, as a result of our aggressive activities, enemy counter-patrolling has temporarily increased both in numbers and in the areas covered."

In one successful clash on Monday one of our patrols captured some German prisoners together with two mechanical transport vehicles and two motorcycles. — Reuter.

## C.N.A.C. FARES

The China National Aviation Corporation and the Eurasia Aviation Corporation, it is learned, have obtained permission to charge a 50 per cent. increase in fares on the Chungking-Hong Kong, Chungking-Kunming, Chungking-Lashio, Chungking-Rangoon and Kunming-Rangoon runs, beginning from August 1.

The Chungking-Kweilin and the Chungking-Chengtu fares remain unchanged, and it is learned that no decision has been made regarding the fares for passengers coming to China from Hong Kong or Rangoon. — Central News.

ed effort of the whole British Empire; that that great combination of about three-quarters of the human race against Nazism will come into vehement and dynamic life.

### Utmost Endeavour

"For more than a year we have been all alone; all alone have had to guard the treasure of mankind."

"Although there may be profound and encouraging changes in the situation, our own final and commanding responsibilities remain undiminished, and we shall only discharge them by continuing to pour out in the common cause the utmost endeavours of our strength and virtue and, if need be, to proffer the last drop of our heart's blood." (Loud cheers). — Reuter.



# Depth Charges By American Destroyer Off Greenland

## COL. KNOX'S DISCLOSURE

A U.S. SENATE NAVAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE REPORT, RELEASED IN WASHINGTON YESTERDAY, MADE A DRAMATIC REVELATION.

It quoted the Navy Secretary, Col. Frank Knox, as testifying that the captain of a United States destroyer dropped three depth charges off the coast of Greenland, believing he was in possible danger of attack from a submarine.

Col. Knox's testimony was contained in a report by the Committee which recommended that no further investigation should be made of newspaper reports of "shooting" by American naval units in the Atlantic and of the convoying of British merchantmen.

"One U.S. destroyer operating off Greenland heard the S.O.S. of a steamer, proceeded to the location and picked up 60 of the survivors of the steamer."

Col. Knox is quoted as saying, "While engaged in this act of mercy, the operator of the listening equipment reported to the captain that he thought he heard a submerged submarine."

"The captain immediately turned toward the direction indicated and dropped three depth charges."

### Self-Preservation

"In doing this he very prudently exercised the right of self-preservation, for had there been a submarine there, his destroyer might have been sunk."

"There was no other evidence that the submarine was there and it is quite possible no submarine was there."

"THE LISTENING EQUIPMENT ECHO MIGHT HAVE BEEN RECEIVED FROM A WHALE OR LARGE FISH OR A COLD CURRENT INSTEAD OF A SUBMARINE — SOMETHING WHICH IS FREQUENTLY EXPERIENCED."

"None of them knew whether there was a submarine there or not but the man in command did what any man would do on the verge of attack by a submarine. He would do it in self-defence." — Reuter.

## BATTLE OF ATLANTIC

DISCUSSIONS WHICH MAY HAVE FAR-REACHING EFFECTS UPON THE MANY ASPECTS OF THE BATTLE OF THE ATLANTIC HAVE BEEN COMPLETED BETWEEN THE BRITISH ADMIRALTY AND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CANADIAN NAVY DEPARTMENT. IT WAS AUTHORIZATIVELY LEARNED IN LONDON YESTERDAY.

Canada plans to have a naval personnel totalling nearly 25,000 before the end of the year manning 250 vessels.

It is understood that complete agreement was reached on all points. — Reuter.

## CAIRO AIR ALARM

AIR ALARMS WERE SOUNDED IN CAIRO AND MOST OF THE DELTA PROVINCES IN THE EARLY HOURS OF YESTERDAY MORNING. STATES AN OFFICIAL CAIRO COMMUNIQUE.

Cairo's A.A. defences were in action.

Three bombs fell in one of the provinces and in the desert but there were no casualties or damage. — Reuter.

## AMERICAN DESTROYER'S DEPTH CHARGES

A U.S. Senate Naval Affairs Committee report, released yesterday, declared: "The Secretary of Navy, Col. Frank Knox, testifying, said a United States destroyer dropped three depth charges off the coast of Greenland when it believed it was in possible danger of attack." — Reuter.

## ANKARA PLEDGE RUMOURS

There are persistent rumours in diplomatic circles in Ankara that the Soviet Union will give Turkey a renewed assurance that Russia has no ambitious or aspirations regarding any position on Turkish territory.

Rumours add that the assurances will take the form of a personal letter from Stalin to President Inonu.

Any such development will do much to improve Soviet-Turkish relations, removing the suspicions created by Hitler and Ribbentrop.

Further, a rapprochement between the Soviet Union and Turkey would tend to strengthen Turkey's strategic position, enabling her to give undivided attention to defending herself in the West.

Turkish and Soviet official sources, however, both deny any knowledge of such a move. — Reuter.

## ALLEGED PRIVILEGES

MR. DUNCAN SANDYS, THE NEW FINANCIAL SECRETARY TO THE WAR OFFICE, WAS ASKED IN THE COMMONS YESTERDAY WHY ITALIAN OFFICERS AMONG ITALIAN WAR PRISONERS WERE BEING RELEASED TO ATTEND SOCIAL FUNCTIONS IN CAIRO AND IF HE WOULD STOP IT



A tug-of-war with a piece of wreckage when clearing debris from a wrecked building in London.

## SUSPENSION OF RELATIONS WITH FINLAND

NORMAL DIPLOMATIC conditions between Finland and Britain have actually been suspended, says a Finnish Foreign Office statement in Helsinki yesterday.

According to the Finnish Foreign Office, when the Finnish aide memoire was handed on Monday to the British Minister, Mr. Vereker, the Finnish Foreign Minister, M. Witting, further intimated that as a result of the total blockade imposed on Finland's foreign trade since June, normal diplomatic conditions between Finland and Britain had actually been suspended.

Conditions had compelled Finland to join Germany as a co-belligerent while Britain had concluded a military alliance with Russia.

In view of these facts normal diplomatic relations could scarcely be maintained without complications.

This opinion was evidently shared by Britain, judging from the recent statement in the Commons that relations could be broken off at any time.

On the strength of these conditions, Finland decided that the Finnish Legation in London should suspend its activities and would be grateful to know whether the British held the same views in relation to the British Legation's activities in Helsinki. — Reuter.

### Assets To Be Frozen

[SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"]

It is expected in London that Britain will freeze Finnish assets as a sequel to the Finnish sever-

### AT ONCE

Mr. Sandys said that if Mr. Mander (the questioner) would give him particulars he would look into the matter.

Mr. Sandys added that Italian prisoners, including the Duke of Aosta, were given no special facilities other than available for German prisoners although there were minor differences depending on privileges allowed to British prisoners in Germany and Italy. — Reuter.

## POSITION EXPLAINED

IT WAS MADE CLEAR THIS MORNING THAT THERE IS NO CONNECTION BETWEEN LANE, CRAWFORD, LIMITED, HONG KONG, AND THE FIRM MENTIONED IN THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT'S FREEZING ORDER.

The company referred to in that order is Lane, Crawford Company, of Kobe. This concern was originally a branch of Hong Kong, which established branches in Shanghai, Yokohama and Kobe during the period 1850-1905. These branches were sold to other interests many years ago and have now no connection with Lane, Crawford, Limited, Hong Kong.

## PRICE CONTROL IN UNITED STATES

President Roosevelt to-day will ask Congress to agree to price control legislation, according to Congressional leaders after a conference with the President yesterday, says Reuter from Washington.

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# R.A.F. PLAYS HAVOC WITH ITALIAN AIR FORCE IN SICILY

LAST NIGHT'S R.A.F. Middle East communique in Cairo stated that highly successful attacks were carried out on Monday by R.A.F. aircraft on enemy aerodromes in the island of Sicily.

Thirty-four enemy aircraft of various types were destroyed. Many others were damaged and a number of casualties were inflicted on aerodrome personnel during the operations, which were carried out by our aircraft without loss to themselves.

## PILOTS' PACE REQUIRES AIR TAXIS

The technique of delivering aircraft from factories to Royal Air Force fields in Great Britain has become so efficient that pilots of the Air Transport Auxiliary, the organisation distributing the 'planes, now are taken in aerial taxis, dropped off at factory airports to pick up 'planes and then met by a "taxi" at the delivery point according to a timetable as strictly adhered to as that of a commercial air line operating in peace time.

Once an organisation to which was allotted only two small sheds, the auxiliary now operates from eleven large aerodromes, each with staff buildings larger than most R.A.F. stations. Hundreds of men, either too old for operational service or physically unfit for the R.A.F., and more than a score of women are carrying on the important work at these "poo's."

The pilots are classified and assigned to fly light aircraft, single-engined fighters and trainer planes, light twin-engined machines, heavy twin-engined bombers, such as Wellingtons, or the heavier bombers such as Stirlings, Manchester and Halifaxes. However, many of the pilots fly all types, and some can fly as many as eighty types of machines. Women, to their disappointment, are permitted to fly only trainer aircraft, whereas many have a burning desire to put a hard-hitting Spitfire or Hurricane through its paces.

A.T.A. headquarters have meteorological laboratories where hourly weather forecasts for the entire country are made available. In another, secret room the position of every balloon barrage in the country is posted. In one room at headquarters men are in constant touch with the factories to find out how many aircraft are ready for delivery. On the walls of these rooms are the names of the pilots, what types of planes they fly and where they are. Thus pilots can be sent off at a moment's notice. Usually, however, they report at 8 a.m. and within twenty minutes, if the weather is good they all have left by "taxi" to pick up aircraft and put them down at destination points. Despite the fact that many American airmen have come to England and entered the A.T.A., there is still a shortage of pilots for this important task. Among the Americans who have joined the A.T.A. are a commercial airline pilot and a nineteen-year-old college undergraduate.

At Catania, four Macchi 200's, six S79's and one Junkers 52 were destroyed. Several Macchi fighters and trainer biplanes were also damaged.

At Syracuse, seven Cant Z501 (flyingboats) were destroyed and a number of the same type damaged.

At Marsala, on the western extremity of the island, seven Cant Z501's were destroyed and a number of others damaged; at Borizzo landing ground, near Trapani, nine S79's were destroyed and about 25 of the landing ground staff killed by the attack.

### Benghazi Raid

R.A.F. bombers attacked a loaded schooner in the central Mediterranean on Monday and left it in a sinking condition.

Heavy bombers again attacked Benghazi harbour during the night of July 27/28. Bombs were dropped from a low altitude and caused fires and explosions on the mole.

From all these operations our aircraft returned safely.—Reuter.

## PETROL RATIONING IN INDIA

A scheme for the rationing of petrol in India will be inaugurated by the Government early in August, according to information reaching Bombay circles, says Reuter.

## BRITAIN'S SECRET

DOROTHY THOMPSON, WRITING IN THE NEW YORK "POST," SAYS: "I HAVE NOT SEEN A SULLEN FACE AND I HAVE NOT HEARD AN ANGRY WORD SINCE MY ARRIVAL IN ENGLAND."

"From what depths do these people draw their inexhaustible reserve of nerves?"

"There is no stridency. Nobody brags but everybody is proud in a secret way."

"That's it—these people have the secret. Loving England, they have utterly lost fear."

"Don't try to break these people, Germans. You'll break your weapons and your hearts." — Reuter.

# MATAPAN BATTLE AWARDS TO NAVAL OFFICERS

MANY OFFICERS and men of the Formidable, one of Britain's newest aircraft-carriers, and of the battleship Warspite, are named in a supplement to last night's "London Gazette" for their part in the great victory over the Italian fleet off Cape Matapan — the greatest naval victory of the war.

Commander Charles Graham Thompson becomes Officer of the Military Division of the Order of the British Empire.

## SHANGHAI FEARS

CONSIDERABLE APPREHENSION HAS BEEN AROUSED IN SHANGHAI OVER RUMOURS THAT THE JAPANESE PLAN TO SEIZE THE INTERNATIONAL SETTLEMENT AS A MEASURE OF RETALIATION TO THE FREEZING OF JAPANESE ASSETS.

It is suggested that the reason the Japanese did not seize the Settlement long ago was that the Settlement was a principal source of foreign exchange for them. The Japanese method of acquiring foreign currency was to use worthless military notes to buy Chinese National Currency and then convert the latter into foreign exchange.

Now, with the freezing of Japanese assets, and the virtual stoppage of trade, the Japanese cannot take advantage of Shanghai's special position and therefore it is rumoured that they may seize it as a retaliatory move against America. — Central News.

Awards to officers and men of Formidable include the D.S.O. to Lt.-Cmdr. Wilfred Henry Gerald Saint, D.S.C., and to Lt.-Cmdr. John Dalwell Stead.

Ten officers receive the D.S.C., five D.S.M.'s are awarded and 38 officers and men are mentioned in despatches.

Capt. Henry Aubrey Rowley, of H.M.S. Gloucester, and Comdr. Geoffrey Barnard, of Warspite, receive the D.S.O., and Lt.-Comdr. Arthur Seymour Bolt, of Warspite, receives a bar to the D.S.C.

Seven other D.S.C.'s are awarded to officers of Warspite, Barham, Valiant and Havoc, and there are seven D.S.M.'s.

Officers and men of these and other warships are among those mentioned in despatches. — Reuter.



## MUTT AND JEFF

By BUD FISHER



# Formidable Barrier To Aggression

THE FOREIGN-SECRETARY, Mr. Anthony Eden, speaking in London yesterday, said: "Four great communities are moving ever closer together in their determination to withstand the common menace of Hitler and of any who works for him. The U.S.S.R., China, the U.S.A. and the British Empire are surely pretty formidable obstacles to aggression."

"It may be this sense of events to come which is causing a new note to creep into Hitler propaganda, covertly for the present, but we may be sure, more openly later on. Hitler has broken countless promises. He has betrayed in turn every nation to which he has given pledges."

"But now for the first time there is a change. Now he is trying desperately to keep a promise. 'It is a promise he has made to the German people—a promise that the war shall end this year in a victorious German peace. 'In an attempt to fulfill this promise, Hitler has embarked upon the Russian campaign."

"Hitler's timetable is plainly already out of joint. The Russians are putting up a magnificent resistance which clearly exceeds German calculations and many other calculations also." Mr. Eden added that a "peace blitz" would soon be hurled at the Allies and repeated the assurance that the British Government was

not prepared to negotiate with Hitler at any time on any subject.

The offer of a compromise peace would be a monument of moderation and sweet reasonableness and hypocrisy.

"Every nation would have to remain at war stations so as not to be caught unawares by a sudden attack launched without warning."

## Could Never Relax

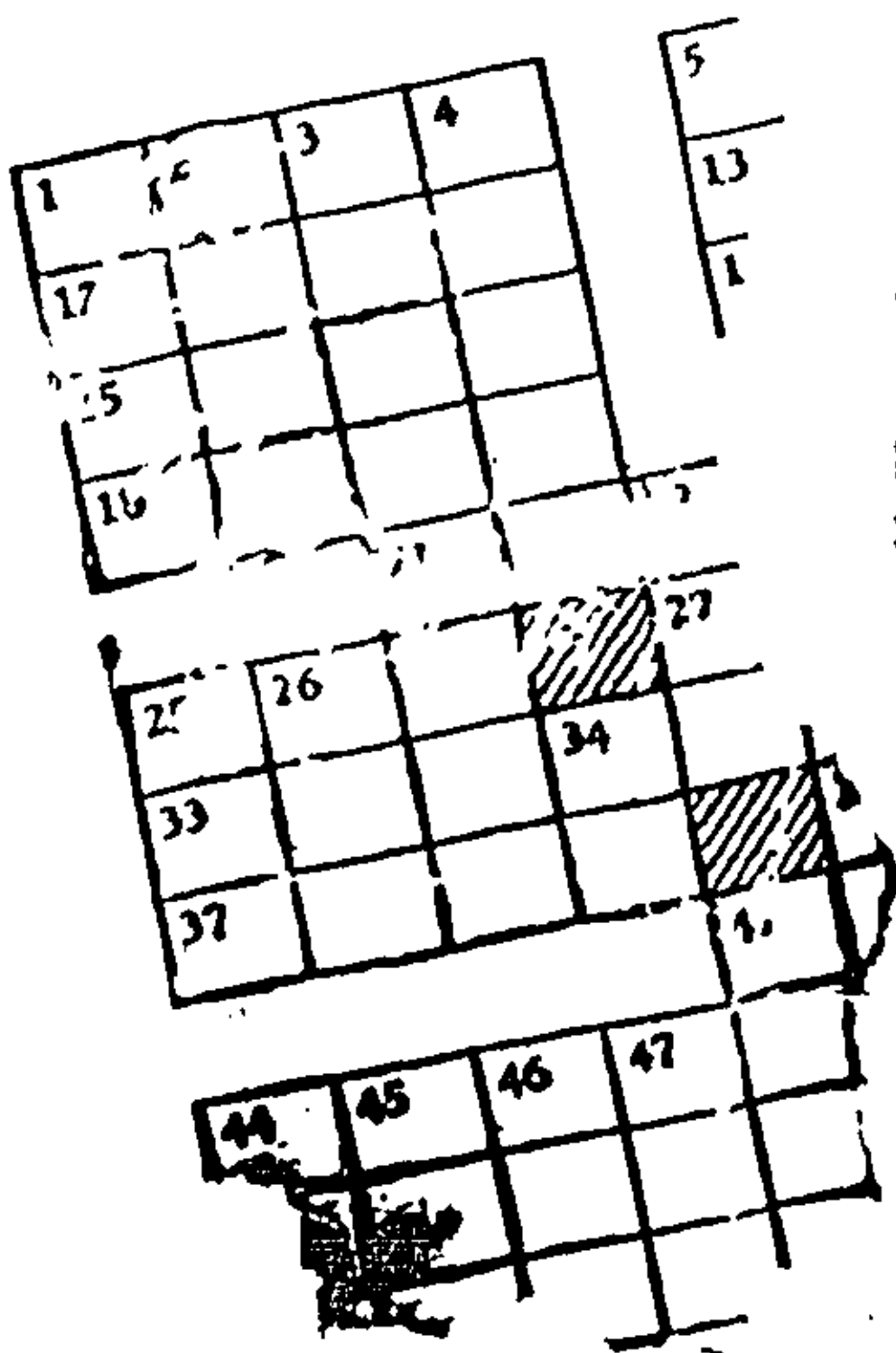
"We could never demobilise, we could never relax war preparations and war restrictions, the fortifications round our coasts could not be removed, our factories would have to continue to manufacture munitions of war to keep up with those which Hitler would be piling up in secret for the next war—the next bid for world domination."

"Hitler is not a rare and transient phenomenon in German history. He is a symptom. He is an expression of the present German will and temper which has shown itself over and over again in German history."

"If we are to have peace in our lifetime the German people must learn to unlearn all they have been taught not only by Hitler but by his predecessors for the last hundred years."

"They can never even start to do this until Hitler the great war-maker has been exposed as a failure and deposed as a failure."

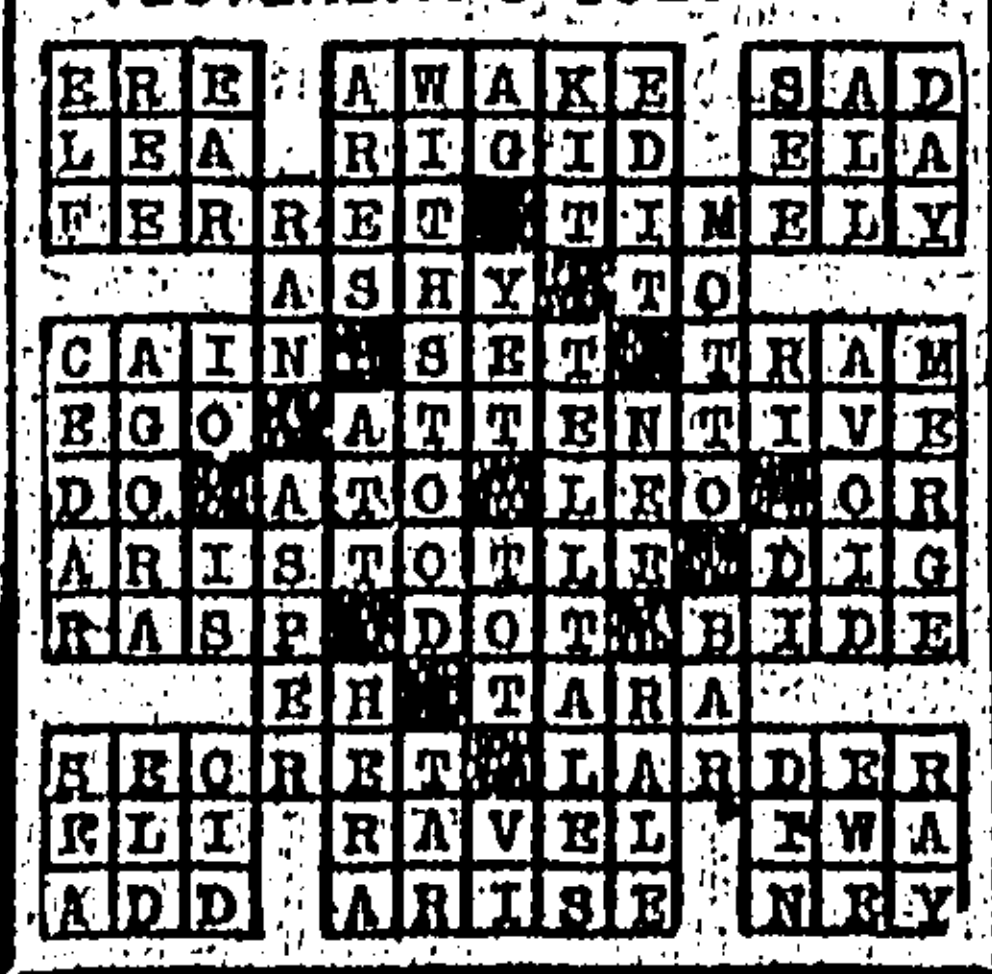
## OUR 10-MINUTE CROSS-WORD



- HORIZONTAL**
- To match
  - Constellation
  - Lone
  - Girl's name
  - Brown
  - Paradise
  - Hindu deity
  - One who hopes for the best
  - Winter vehicle
  - Musical note
  - To wash
  - Doctrine
  - First woman
  - Ovary
  - European country
  - Moon goddess
  - To have residence
  - Oral
  - Part of "to be"
  - Worthless leavings
  - Swiss canton
  - Anglo-Saxon moiety
  - Slick
  - Part of coat
  - Symbol for iron

- VERTICAL**
- To spend
  - Dye plant
  - To lead astray
  - Peruses
  - Small cartilage
  - Swor
  - Instinct
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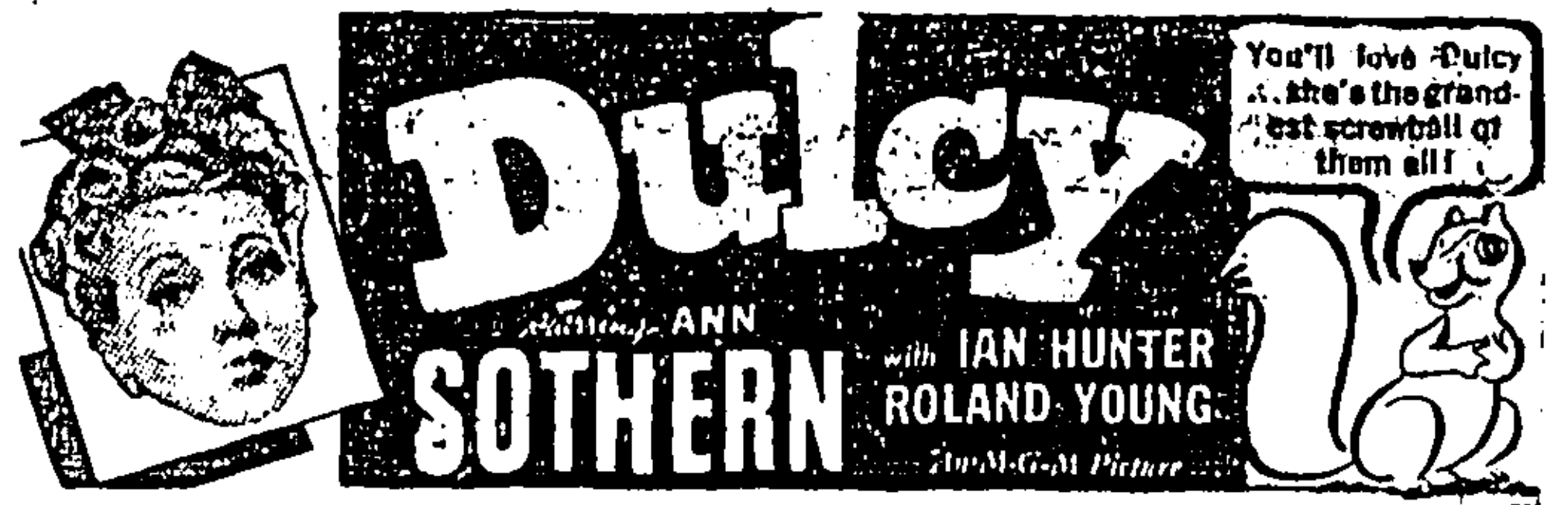


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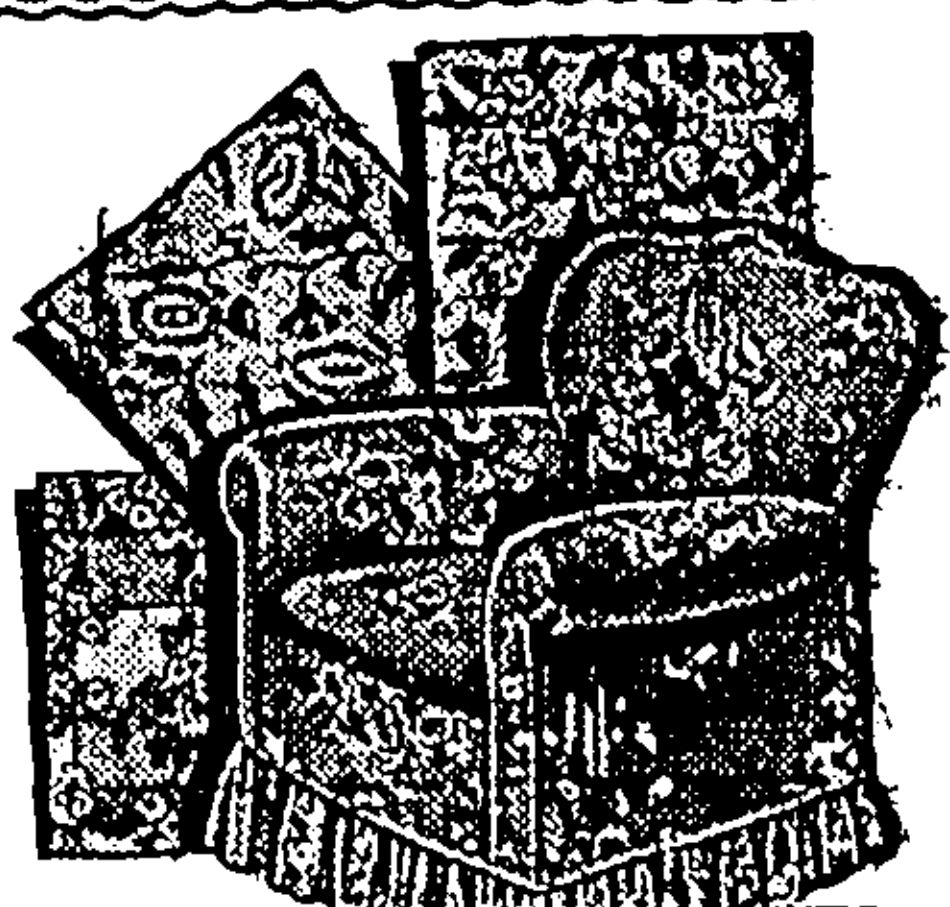
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# VICHY RESPONSIBLE FOR SURRENDER OF INDO-CHINA

(By Reuter's Special Correspondent At Hanoi)

WITH THE OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT THAT 40,000 JAPANESE TROOPS HAVE BEGUN LANDING IN SOUTHERN INDO-CHINA, AND THAT EIGHT AERODROMES ARE TO BE PLACED AT JAPAN'S DISPOSAL, IT IS NOW POSSIBLE TO GIVE AN ACCOUNT OF RECENT EVENTS AFFECTING THE FRENCH COLONY.

First thing that emerges is that the agreement originated and was concluded in direct negotiations between Vichy and Tokyo, only details of its application being discussed at Hanoi.

Mr. Osomatsu Kato, Japanese Ambassador to Vichy, and Admiral Darlan are said to have held their crucial meeting on July 19, the agreement being signed at Vichy last Tuesday.

Admiral Decoux, Vichy's Governor-General, saw Major-General Sumita, head of the Japanese military mission to Indo-China, three times before agreement was reached on its practical application.

Thereafter the Japanese moved fast while carefully guarded press announcements informed the Indo-China public of the trend of events. Major-General Sumita left Hanoi for Saigon by plane on Saturday, leaving only a skeleton staff representing the Japanese mission behind him.

### Naval Concessions

There has been no mention of naval concessions under the agreement but it is popularly supposed and not officially denied that the Japanese will be permitted to station a limited number of warships at Camranh Bay, Saigon and Cap St. Jacques.

Although Camranh is one of the finest natural harbours in the world, its port facilities are restricted. Frequent references to the "joint defence" of Indo-China and Japan, and the anti-British campaign raging in the press and radio in Hanoi for the last few days, seem to indicate where Indo-China stands, although it is emphasised that no threat is directed to any country.

### Saigon, The Focus

Centre of interest now moves to Saigon and the surrounding area, where the new distribution of military forces involved in the "defence" of the colony is being worked out.

Simultaneously the boundary commission is completing details of the recent cession of territory by Indo-China to Thailand and will hold discussions at Saigon.

Herr Neumann, former German Consul in Indo-China, arrived at Saigon yesterday to participate in the boundary commission's consultations.

It is emphasised at Hanoi that the facilities being granted to Japan in southern Indo-China are purely tactical as the terms of the economic agreement between Japan and Indo-China have been and are being faithfully observed.—Reuter.

## RUMOUR RIFE IN PEIPING

According to a report from Peiping, rumours are rife causing great uneasiness.

One report states that beginning from to-morrow, all foreign banks in Peiping will enforce control measures. The Yokohama Specie Bank has already suspended payments to American and British depositors.—Central News.

### NAVAL YACHT SUNK

H. M. yacht Viva II (Captain M. A. Blomfield, O.B.E., R.N.) has been sunk, the Admiralty announced.

## GERMANS PRAISE BRAVERY OF REDS

German newspaper readers, who previously had been without specific details of the operations against Russia, received a flood of feature stories about the fighting qualities of the Russian soldier.

"When cornered, he fights with the primitive sullenness of a trapped animal," wrote one propaganda company reporter. "He remains in a tank even while Germans are stacking explosives under it, because his officers have told him a tank is invulnerable."

The Soviet infantry charges tanks as if something could be accomplished that way, this report continued. "They go like a flock of sheep to annihilation. The German soldier is witnessing something like collective destruction."

"The individual Russian soldier, though, is good in earth-works and skilful in taking advantage of terrain. He scorns death."

Another German reporter described a charge against machine-guns and artillery by Russian cavalrymen who, he said, ride without saddles, grenades in their hands and knives in their teeth. "A couple of rounds of artillery fire," he wrote, "finished this desperate exploit."

## NO LOVE IN HAY!

Don't make love in the hayfield. That was the gist of an appeal made one night by the Ministry of Agriculture to Whitsun holiday makers.

The land is the farmer's workshop.

On a recent Sunday a man was found about to back his car into a field of oats.

Nearby young people, who had cycled from a large town had settled themselves snugly in a field, shut up for hay, some in the middle of it.

Remember: at grass is just as important a crop as corn. Grass and the corn represent, among other things, the nation's milk for next winter.

## CAR'S CREW OF 20

New York police have a new "emergency car" which carries four searchlights, can be directed from a plane, has a secretary's desk, carries a crew of twenty, and has a miniature operating theatre.

## SEA RAIDER HIT WOMEN

Survivors, including an elderly couple from Surrey, swam for over twenty minutes before being picked up when a German raider sank the Zamzam.

The story was told in Biarritz recently by a survivor, Mr. J. V. Murphy, one of the editors of the American magazine, "Fortune."

He said a British woman, Mrs. Levitt, wife of an R.A.F. pilot, who was on her way to Africa to join her husband, was wounded in the foot by shell splinters.

Mr. Murphy said the Zamzam was four days from Capetown when, just before dawn one day nine shells hit her.

There was utter confusion on board.

An Englishman, Dr. Robert Starling, with his wife and daughter, 2, an elderly Surrey couple, Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Wright, and women and children swam round for over twenty minutes before being picked up.

A missionary was swimming round crying over and over, "It's God's punishment for their sins."

Next day all except two Americans and one Englishman, who were wounded, were transferred to a merchant ship.

Speaking in English the captain of the merchant ship said: "Any monkey business and we'll answer with machine-guns."

The survivors were on board this ship for thirty-three days before being landed at St. Jean de Luz.

## ENEMY AIR LOSSES

A total of 7,195 enemy planes have been destroyed since the outbreak of war to the end of June.

Of these, 37 were downed at sea, 3,568 over Britain, 324 in Europe, 56 in Scandinavia (Norway), 957 on the Western Front (to Dunkirk), 327 by the Royal Navy, and 1,928 in the Middle East.

The above authentic figures, issued by the R.A.F., do not include planes damaged.—Reuter.

The Japanese motor-vessel, Shirogane Maru, left Hong Kong for Canton this morning with a full list of passengers.



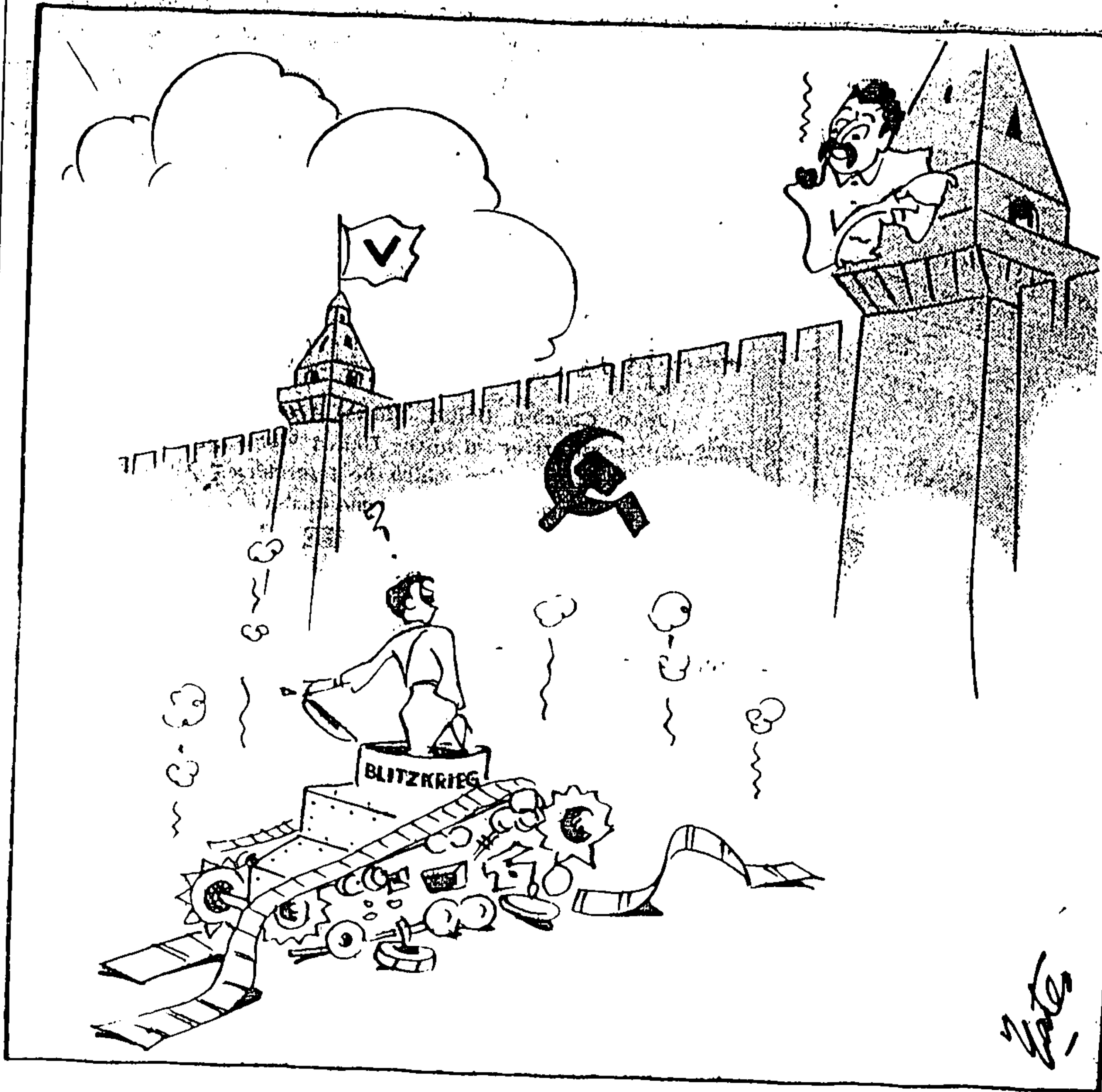
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## GERMANY TASTES REAL WAR

It does not make much difference whether the treaty concluded between Russia and Great Britain is technically known as a formal alliance or merely as an "association," "co-belligerency" or "joint action." The treaty in any case embodies what is really essential — an agreement for mutual assistance and an agreement by both parties not to make a separate peace.

If Hitler is to be defeated, he is obviously more likely to be defeated by collaboration on the part of his opponents than by its absence. If Russia has everything to stop Hitler's drive at some point but one element, and the British are able to supply that element, it would be folly to withhold it for mere ideological reasons. Perhaps what Britain can most quickly supply are strategists and technicians; and these have already begun to arrive. The moral gains on both sides are immediate. It has strengthened Russian morale to have this clear evidence of British help, it will bolster British morale to have a Russian promise, granted at this moment, not to make a separate peace. But whatever help the British give to Russia will doubtless be extended not on sentimental but on cold-blooded strategic grounds. It is a policy not of "aid Russia" but of "stop Hitler" that will have the widest British and American support.

On top of these successes the British are pounding Western Germany as never before. Regardless of the outcome in Russia, the Nazis beyond doubt are suffering very heavy casualties there. The German people themselves are at last beginning to taste the full horrors of war. For the first time since the war began, the Nazis lack air superiority over all occupied points. They are getting the kind of punishment with which they have so often threatened others. They can no longer bully the rest of the world with impunity. They may yet win in Russia, after greater sacrifices than they had counted upon. But the conquest of Britain now seems more remote than at any time in the last twelve months; and American aid to Britain has increased from a trickle to an ever-broadening stream.



TROJAN HORSE—SLIGHTLY SHOPSOILED

# Victoria Would Be Surprised

When war came to Britain in September, 1939, the women of England were not wholly unprepared. As far back as a year and a half before the outbreak they had heard the premonitory rumblings. Out of their awareness was born the Women's Voluntary Services, with a present enrollment of close to a million. Also there is the Housewife's Service, numbering a quarter of a million, which cooperates with two million women in neighbourhood defence. Their story goes like this:

"What the government needs is a maid-of-all-work," said Sir Samuel Hoare, the Home Secretary, as war clouds gathered in Europe. "And who but women can provide that service?"

He called Lady Reading, widow of the one-time Viceroy of India, to discuss the recruiting of women for civil defence. That was in May, 1938. All that he really expected to get out of the meeting was the cooperation of women with the Air-Raid Precautions movement which was sweeping the country at that time.

"Now if bombs should fall, don't you think it would be a good idea to have women instruct householders to protect themselves and the community?" he asked Lady Reading. And don't you think that women should take jobs in the Air-Raid Precautions Services in their own local districts?"

Lady Reading agreed. It was an excellent plan — in fact it was so good that the organisation came into being then and there with the weighty title of Women's Voluntary Services for Air-Raid Precautions.

When news of the founding of the organisation was made known it was as if a three-bell fire alarm had been rung throughout Britain solely for the ears of the women. The response was overwhelming. Inquiries flooded the headquarters in London. On with only the Air-Raid Precautions limited the duties of these women to work in first-aid posts, auxiliary fire services, report points and at ambulance driving. It wasn't enough. The women asked for more work to do — a variety of work, any kind of work. They wished to serve their country.

"What can I do about national defence?"

"Where do I go to take a course in first aid?"

"Do you give lessons in home nursing?"

"May I run a canteen?"

In Tothill Street, a stone's throw from the Houses of Parliament, where the W. V. S. established headquarters, these questions were answered a thousand times a day.

With the local authorities, the Borough Councils and the government, the women consulted for days on end. Schools, offices and factories organised their own groups to give immediate training. Lessons were given in fire-fighting, first aid, home nursing, ambulance driving and A.R.P. work all over Britain. Draft lectures and memoranda kept

By Helen  
Cumming

pace with the rapidly changing conditions. The organisation grew with every emergency and produced a limitless supply of competent women who were willing, without acknowledgment or pay, to give help in any part of the country where it was needed.

What England got out of that meeting was — more than a maid-of-all-work — a wife. Who but a wife could cook, nurse, sew, wash dishes, knit, drive ambulances, manage clothing depots, run canteens — mobile and stationary ones — scrub children, hunt tickets, evacuate children and old people from untenable areas? Who but a wife could advise the government how to spend money to the best advantage? As the scope of the work increased the name of the organisation was changed to Women's Voluntary Services for Civil Defence. Abbreviated to W.V.S., that name has stuck.

When the government divided England, Scotland and Wales into thirteen regions, each of which was provided with a nucleus government in case of breakdown of communications, the commissioner in charge was given, as his opposite number, a W.V.S. regional administrator. Under each regional administrator are opposite numbers in each of the local authorities — the chain extending from County Councils right down to village and even hamlet representatives. All are

local residents. The W.V.S. co-operates with the government and local authorities. It undertakes work only at their request or with their approval. A wife in every sense of the word! At the wedding of the government and the W.V.S. the word "obey" was left in the service.

The administrative staff of the W.V.S. all over Britain numbers about 3,500 members, and of all these women only sixty-seven are paid. The unpaid workers are treated the same as the paid ones. They hold a letter of appointment from the chairman providing that a month's notice be given either way. Nothing is left to chance and every worker possesses a keen sense of responsibility. Expenses for equipment, postage, heat and lighting in offices are paid by the government; and the W.V.S. has a purchasing department possessing a licence to buy "ex quota."

Another branch of the W.V.S. which shies away from the domestic role is the committee that deals in shipping and in forwarding and dealing with goods sent from overseas for distribution. Lady Reading is personally responsible for overseas and purchasing departments, and it is she who deals directly with the American Red Cross. Five to eight boatloads of supplies leave American shores for England weekly. To date 368 ships bearing 910 consignments of clothing, boots, layettes and relief goods had been received and distributed — and that in spite of Hitler's U-boats. Only eleven cargoes had been lost.

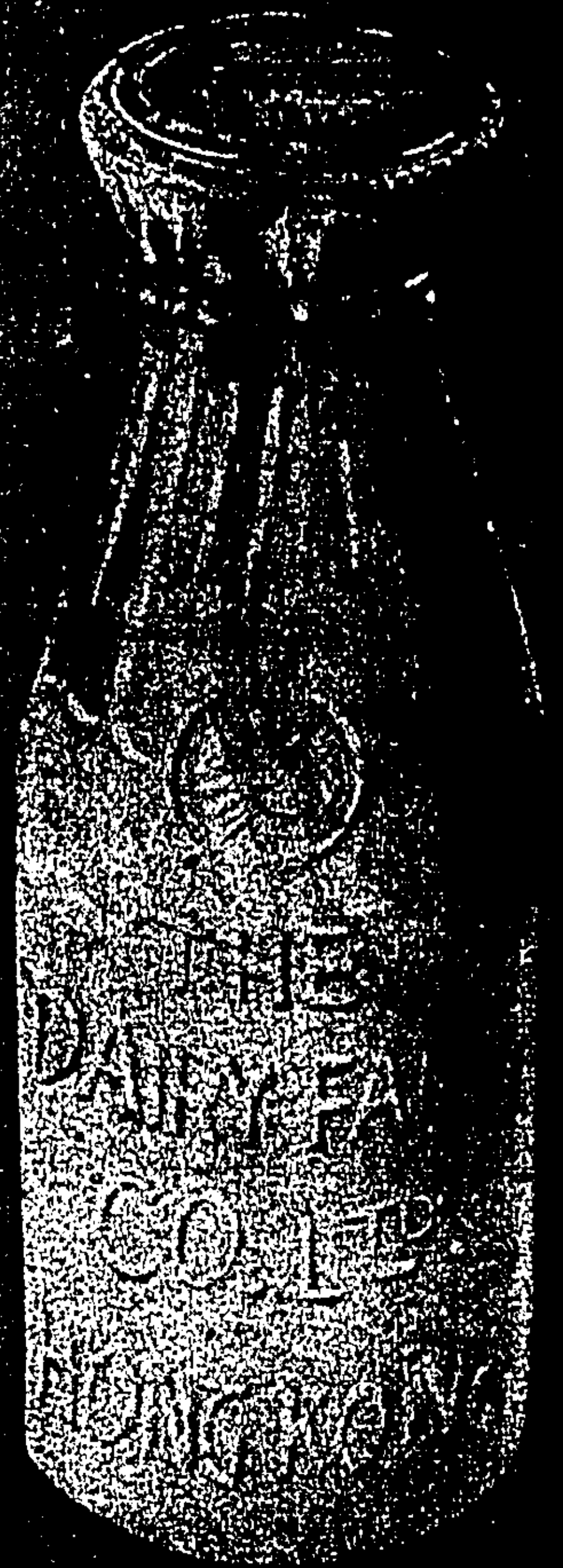
Mushroom growth cannot be attributed to the W.V.S. From the original membership of five women to the present enrollment of almost a million the progress was gradual. The group works with an advisory council of representatives from over sixty women's organisations in the country — religious, political, professional, social — including Girl Guides and women's institutes. Nor can the W.V.S. be called part of the army. It is a civilian wartime organisation. It includes women who give all or part of their time to making themselves useful and alleviating distress. It has not a colonel or sergeant-major. It has no drills, no salutes, no army discipline. It dispenses

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# "THE GERMANS FEAR US"

---John Cudahy

(John Cudahy, United States Ambassador to Belgium in 1939-40, recently returned to the United States after a three-month visit in Germany, during which he interviewed Adolf Hitler and many Germans high in the official and business life of that country).

AN ACCURATE STATEMENT is that America's formal entry into the war will have a profound depressing influence upon German public opinion. Our non-fighting belligerency is recognised and accepted by the German people generally, but that is far from active shooting participation.

The prestige of the United States is very great. It is known that we have never lost a war and never made a compromise peace, and the Germans fear that if we move into this conflict, we will move in for the knockout blow.

When I talked to Herr von Ribbentrop [Germany's Foreign Minister] he made no effort to disparage American military potentialities and the significant influence they might in time bring to bear upon the trend of conflict, but he expressed the opinion that modern warfare demanded such mechanised effort that we could not mobilise the force of America before it was too late, before Germany had gained crushing ascendancy that could never be over-taken.

The post-war generation of Germans do not feel the same apprehension about America, as they are ignorant of the war a generation ago. Their profound faith in their Fuehrer gives them a sanguine feeling that cannot be shaken. They are impressed by the unbroken success of the German Army fighting over nearly every conceivable terrain from the fjords of Norway to the Maginot Line and the mountainous going in Yugoslavia and Greece.

Hitler's undisputed, commanding eminence in Germany is illustrated by the Hess episode. Rudolf Hess, a man of education, was a tough rough-neck, a hard-hitting, two-fisted fighting man who stood by Hitler in the early days of the National Socialist movement.

I was in the Ber. in Foreign Office when the Hess sensation broke and the effect was such panic-stricken consternation that a clumsy story was put out in the "Voelkischer Beobachter" that he was insane. It was twenty-four hours later before the Propaganda Ministry regained its composure enough to print the explanation of an unauthorised negotiated-peace mission.

The effect of the first story lingered among the people, who had a feeling of bewilderment and resentment against the government. Why, they asked, if Hess was insane, was he continued in a responsible position, and what kind of government was it that kept crazy men in office who might some day rule?

Had not Hess been solemnly designated No. 3 by Hitler to succeed the Fuehrer after Reich Marshal Goering? What did the whole thing mean? people asked gloomily. They took a very black view. But, of course, no one thought of doing anything about it. Nor is it easy to see what action could have been taken if they had been minded to protest.

## Hitler's Prestige

Certainly the prestige of Hitler was not affected. And if, as many people believe, the flight of Hess illustrates clashing interests, distrust and jealousy within National Socialist ranks, none of this touches Hitler. To-day, all observers agree, regardless of their wishes in the matter, that Hitler is Germany and Germany is Hitler.

Ever since the beginning of the National Socialist regime some of us had been hoping for an insurrection in Germany and an overthrow of Hitler. Months before the Blitzkrieg came to Belgium we followed eagerly a line of speculative evidence that indicated a breach between the Nazis and the army chiefs, who the story went, were convinced that Hitler was a wild, frenzied fanatic. But Count Jacques Davignon, Belgium Ambassador in Berlin, told me that such a hope, like so many hopes looking to German defeat, was based on delusion where the wish stirred the thought.

"The German people will eat stones if need be," he said grimly. "They are united to a man back of Hitler, no matter where he leads them, no matter what happens to Germany."

The war is not popular. But that does not mean that the German people will not go through to the grim end and follow their Fuehrer, no matter how desperate the situation may become. I suppose a war referendum would have resulted 80 per cent. against, but now that the die has been cast, all Germany is prepared for a finish fight. The common attitude is negative rather than positive, with no sense of triumph or elation over the unbroken series of military successes.

## No Cheers For Victory

I was in the bar of the Eden Hotel, the swankiest spot in Berlin, when the announcement came over the radio of the capitulation of the Epirus army, which meant the end of Greece. But people seated at tables, drinking Rhine wine and a sloppy, almost kickless beer, recorded nothing. You might have thought they were listening to a weather report.

I was in Berlin after the fall of the Low Countries, when every house was, by order, decorated with Swastika flags. But beyond this display, there was no celebration. Not a note even of satisfaction. I was told the same thing was true after the fall of France. The attitude is negative, yet there is an unyielding determination to win.

So there is no chance of an insurrection under prevailing conditions, and one would have to recognise overwhelming defeat, crushing to German morale, before any movement for different leadership could be effected.

I came away from Berlin the last week of May, after a three-month stay. My notes record six air raids during that time. I lived at the Adlon Hotel, close by the Brandenburger Gate, on Unter den Linden. The attacks came in the first hours of the morning, usually a half-hour or so after midnight.

The most telling attack was made in April, when more than 100 incendiary bombs were dropped on Unter den Linden, twenty-three of them in the Pariser Platz in front of the hotel, where they lit up the scene with the lurid light of flaming torches. The old Opera House was completely gutted, the University Library wrecked and severe damage was inflicted upon three business buildings facing Unter den Linden.

## Great Damage

The common run of people in Germany stay strangely detached, as though they were indifferent spectators of this war, which will control their destiny and the destiny of unborn German generations. When the British sky raiders stayed until the early morning hours, I heard Germans say: "They must get going now, the light will be coming and they will get shot down." They said this with sincere solicitude.

And more curious was the occultist on Frederichstrasse. It was the day after the big raid that knocked out the Opera House. "Those must have been American planes last night, they bombed us so well," he said, enthusiastically, as if he wished to share my pride in this American achievement that had rained hell upon his country.

## REMEMBERED HER FRIENDS

Mrs. Ethel A. Barton, of Hyde Park-place, Paddington, W., who left £93,501 14s. gave £1,500 to her chauffeur, William Pitkin, "who has always helped me," and £1,200 to cook Annie Morton, "another friend."

## POLISH GESTURE TO RUSSIA

SPEAKING AFTER MR. EDEN AT THE FOREIGN PRESS LUNCHEON IN LONDON YESTERDAY, THE POLISH PREMIER, GENERAL SIKORSKI, SAID MARTYRED POLAND, WHERE NOBODY COULD BE FOUND TO SUPPORT A POLICY OF COMPROMISE WITH GERMANY, WAS WHOLEHEARTEDLY IN THE CAMP OF THE DEFENDERS OF FREEDOM OF THE WORLD.

General Sikorski continued: "The Polish nation firmly stands with the British and American Democracies and now will not hesitate to come to an agreement of collaboration with Russia on honourable and just terms."

"We are acting in accordance with the interests of the Polish nation and are ready to do everything which accelerates the victory which is certain."

— Reuter.

## NAMES REMOVED FROM LIST

Forty-six names have been removed from the United States black-list of firms and agents in Latin-America acting on behalf of the Axis powers.

This was announced in Washington yesterday by Mr. Sumner Welles, Acting Secretary of State, who said further deletions and additions would be made from time to time on a basis of continuing study.

Mr. Welles simultaneously issued a formal statement saying that the chief effect of the black-list was "to deny the benefits of inter-American trade to persons who have hitherto been using large profits and finance for subversive activities aimed at undermining the peace and independence of the western hemisphere." — Reuter.

## BADLY BURNED

Badly burned when corrosive acid was thrown over his body, a 15-year-old Chinese lad was admitted to Kowloon Hospital yesterday. It is alleged that the acid was thrown by a 19-year-old youth who has been detained by the Police.

## THEFT FROM A.R.P. TUNNEL

An electric cable, some 150 yards in length, was stolen from the No. 5 A.R.P. Tunnel, Hung Hom, during Monday night.

It was very hard to understand, I never got to Hamburg, Bremen, or the Ruhr industrial section, but people who had seen the British air damage in these regions told me that it was far greater than that suffered by the capital. This was especially true of Hamburg and Bremen, where they said the docks had been smashed with great effect.



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# BIG U.S. SUPPLIES ARMING THE NEAR EAST

(By HAROLD DENNY)

PORTS IN THE NEAR EAST have become the real war front of the Near East. American war materials of every description are arriving in this theatre in sufficient volume to promise an appreciable effect.

The first ship to arrive after President Roosevelt removed the legal barriers against American vessels' voyages to the Red Sea docked July 4 after a voyage from an American port.

Her captain, a husky Irish-American, was proud of his distinction. While a group of correspondents watched the unloading of his ship, another vessel with the Stars and Stripes nosed into port.

The quay, a narrow strip of solid ground with the blue sea on one side and a fringe of stringy palms cutting off the desert on the other, was a scene of great animation, for these priceless stores were being unloaded at top speed twenty-four hours a day. British freighters also were unloading.

## American Experts Help

British officers and soldiers were supervising, while American technical experts stood by to see that their precious charges were not damaged and to advise on the uncrating and assembling. The stevedores were Egyptian Arabs, who, with dirty cotton burnouses rolled up around their waists, sweated and shouted as they pried out the cargo.

The dock was already a jungle of crates containing Tomahawk engines, fuselages and wing sections ready to be assembled, motor trucks, tires and spare parts for automobiles and aeroplanes.

The ship appeared packed to capacity. Deep in the hold lay squat ugly war monsters. As one by one they were hoisted by derricks and deposited on land they received a few gallons of gasoline and chugged off under their own power. An American technician fondly patted a gun muzzle and remarked, "These are made of steel that is second to none."

The interstices among the heavy items were filled with coils of wire, tires, medical stores, shoe polish and ordinary civil goods, including American canned beer that has already appeared in Cairo cafes at 40 cents a pint.

Word that a large variety of American supplies is actually reaching the Near East has spread widely through the troops, who for months have been asking every American they see, "When will your stuff begin coming?"

## Near East Hails Russians

The Near East apparently is secure for the time being. How long it will remain so few venture to predict.

British authorities speak admiringly of the courage, tenacity and skill of the Red Army, for it is devouring a considerable slice of Germany's trained man power and destroying much German equipment though at an immense cost to its own men and material.

But even though Russia's resistance has been more effective than had been hoped for, most observers here have little doubt of the final outcome. Russia can at best only delay the German march.

The Germans are driving heaviest at the administrative and industrial centres, Moscow and Leningrad, instead of at Kiev, as first expected, and evidently intend to paralyse Russia's nerve centres and knock out Russia by a blow to the head instead of simply going after grain, coal, iron and oil, the resources of the Ukraine and Transcaucasia.

Should the Germans succeed, it is difficult to see where the Soviet Government could set itself up again west of the Ural Mountains and how it could avoid being driven from Europe.

Germany's attack on Russia makes the war problem greater and more immediate for Britain and the United States. If Germany is able to overrun Western Russia in the next few weeks it seems likely that she would then, after an interval for reorganising

her forces, launch a sweep toward India and the Near East, coming down from the Caucasus across Persia or Turkey into Iraq and Syria and, if successful, even to Egypt.

Granted that Adolf Hitler gets the Ukraine and the Caucasus in a few weeks, it will take at least two years to organise the production and transport of the resources he most needs. After he has geared these resources into his war machine, unless he is beaten, he will be the master of the most formidable empire the world ever saw.

## AMERICA'S BLACK-LIST

The United States has issued a list of 1,834 persons trading in Latin America, said Mr. Hugh Dalton, Minister of Economic Warfare, in the House of Commons yesterday.

Mr. Dalton was replying to a question as to what extent progress had been made as between Britain and the U.S. in producing a black-list of traders.

The majority of these traders, continued Mr. Dalton, also appeared in the British statutory list.

He was consulting the U.S. Government on co-ordination of the two lists.

Cheers greeted Mr. Dalton when he added: "This new departure will be of the greatest value to us in waging economic warfare, and I am sure the House will wish to join with me in welcoming this striking act of American cooperation."

Mr. Dalton replied in the affirmative when asked if consideration was now being given to the question of Japanese enemy trade.—Reuter.

## NAZI SHIPS IN THE PERSIAN GULF

Four German merchant ships now anchored in a Persian Gulf port are expected to slip out into the Indian Ocean to become raiders against British shipping off the Indian and Arabian coasts, according to Martin Agronsky, Ankara correspondent of the National Broadcasting Corporation, says Reuter from New York.

## U.S. ARMY AIR COOPERATION

The U.S. War Department yesterday announced the creation of a new type of Army air force organisation to be known as the Air Support Command, which will provide air support for the ground forces.—Reuter.

## NAZI AIR CHIEF KILLED

Colonel-General Ulrich Grauert, Commanding General of a Nazi air squadron, who, the German communique says, "fell in action while fighting against England" was one of the German key air commanders.

## 'PLANES COUNCIL PLAN

A British-American production council to achieve standardisation of 'planes is suggested in a Parliamentary question by Mr. E. Granville (Lib. Nat., Eye).

## U.S. SHIP BUILDING

IMPRESSIVE INCREASES ARE NOTED IN CURRENT SHIP CONSTRUCTION IN NORTH AMERICA AS COMPARED WITH THE VOLUME REPORTED A YEAR AGO, SAYS THE "SEATTLE TIMES."

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# BRIDGE NOTES

## A USEFUL INFERENCE By The Four Aces

To-day's hand probably belongs in the crime series, because South misplayed the hand and lost his Small Slam contract. But the crime is a little obvious, and the real interest centres in how South should have known the right way to play the hand:

South, Dealer  
North-South vulnerable

**NORTH**  
♠ Q 10 7 4  
♥ K Q J 7 3  
♦ K Q 6  
♣ J

**WEST**  
♠ J 8 5 2  
♥ 10 6  
♦ 7 4 2  
♣ 7 6 4 3

**EAST**  
♠ 3  
♥ 9 5 4  
♦ A J 10 9  
♣ 8 3

**SOUTH**  
♠ A K 9 6  
♥ A 8 2  
♦ 5  
♣ A K 8 5 2

The bidding:  
South West North East  
1♣ Pass 1♥ 2♦  
2♠ Pass 4♣ Pass  
6♣ Pass Pass Pass

West opened the seven of diamonds, and dummy's Queen forced out East's Ace. A diamond return was won by dummy, and South took the next trick with the spade Ace. Thus far, South had played the hand correctly, but his next play upset his applecart; he led a low trump and won with dummy's Queen.

When East showed out of trumps, the snow was over. South could not avoid the loss of a trump trick, and was therefore bound to be set one trick.

South had no way of telling that West had started with four trumps, but he should have known that if either defender had four trumps, it was more likely to be West. That sort of inference is very useful, and can be made almost every time a defensive bid has been made. The defensive bidder displays length in the suit he has bid, and he is therefore a little more likely to be short in some other suit than is his partner who has no unusually long suit.

Acting on this inference, South should have won the second round of trumps with the King in his own hand. Then if both players followed suit, dummy's Queen would draw the last trump; but if East showed out, a finesse could be taken through West's Jack. The way South played the hand would have been correct if West had bid the diamonds, but was very unsound in view of the actual bidding.

Yesterday you were David Bruce Burnstone's partner and, with both sides vulnerable, you held:

♠ A Q 10 8 3  
♥ K J 9 4  
♦ 7  
♣ A 10 5

The bidding:  
You Schenker Burnstone Male  
1♣ Pass INT Pass  
2♥ Pass 2♠ Pass  
(?)

ANSWER: Pass. Your partner's bidding indicates a weak hand, and game is unlikely unless he has at least fair strength.

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## Question No. 781

To-day you are Howard Schenker's partner and, with both sides vulnerable, you hold:

♠ 7 3 2  
♥ 8 4  
♦ A Q J 7 3  
♣ K 8 3

The bidding:  
Schenker Jacoby You Male  
1♣ Pass (1)

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# ACTOR-COWBOY IN SHANGHAI

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Armed with a "Twenty Mule Team" whip, in full cowboy regalia, and in possession of hundreds of letters of recommendation, photographs and newspaper clippings, the cowboy, in the person of Mr. Sampson McDonald, known as "Death Valley" Mack, arrived in Shanghai to pay the city a visit and give, if possible, a few charity performances for local orphans and crippled children, as well as for the war relief fund.

"Death Valley" Mack, old Ranger of the original Death Valley radio programme, singer, movie actor, lecturer, trick whip performer, marine, hunter and rodeo rider, has enthralled thousands of radio listeners in the United States with his broadcasts of original tales of the Death Valley and with his cowboy songs.

## An Indian Mother

Born of a Cherokee mother (she was Mary May Wolf, daughter of Chief Lone Wolf of Cherokee tribe), "Death Valley" Mack started his career in the early years of the twentieth century.

His father, who was the marshal in the Oklahoma territory during the land rush in April 1889, and his mother were in the show business, while his uncle, Capt. Bill McDonald was with the Texas Rangers.

This is not "Death Valley" Mack's first visit to Shanghai. Way back in 1921, tired of his work, he sailed to the Orient in the "Schooner of Death Valley". This time he arrived in the City of Joliet and intends to remain for five or six days. After that he will continue his voyage to Manila where he expects to exhibit his prowess with a whip (an art which brought him a big share of his popularity in the United States), and will then sail home, hoping to be back at his ranch in Death Valley by October 1.

## Early Movie Career

Although elderly, "Death Valley" Mack is still active and appeared in his famous act at the Golden Gate International Exposition in San Francisco in 1939. His movie career dates back to the days of "Bill" Hart, western idol of millions of children, and he has played with such western stars as Hoot Gibson, Buck Jones and Bob Steele. He also appeared with Miss Pearl White, the serial queen of two decades ago. He continued with the advent of talkies and appeared in a recent western with Miss Jean Arthur.

In America or China, in England or France, "Death Valley" Mack always dresses alike. A picturesque figure in western boots, riding breeches, a green velvet shirt, a special riding belt (with the insignia of the Heart of Texas to adorn it), and a ten-gallon hat.

When ending the interview, "Death Valley" Mack expressed hope that charity organisations would get in touch with him through Capt. A. Miller of the City of Joliet, at the Hongkew and Shanghai Wharf, and stressed his desire to show the kiddies a few things that they had not seen.

# COSTLY HOLLYWOOD MISTAKE

Propaganda pictures having proved to be a costly mistake, studios now are using the war simply as a background for lusty, full-throated melodrama, writes Douglas W. Churchill in the New York "Times." Not one of the several films devoted to arousing America against Germany has been more than a casual success at the box office and as a result pictures which deal with world conditions now are of the old fashioned cops-and-robbers stripe. The villains are black and the heroes are white and the reasons why are avoided.

According to this season's formula, which got its impetus from England with such pictures as "Black-out" and "Night Train," the wickedness of the Nazis is taken for granted and they appear as the menace in all stories. Why the financial returns from such films as "Confessions of a Nazi Spy," "Four Sons," "Mortal Storm," "The Man I Married," "Escape," "Pastor Hall" and "So Ends Our Night" were disappointing is a matter of speculation in Hollywood.

One faction thinks that audiences were convinced of the depravity of the Nazis and were bored by the constant reiteration on the screen; the other believes that the customers objected to having a philosophic attitude rammed down their throats. Both agree that the necessarily hopeless endings were depressing and both agree that there was no money in preaching.

Several films typify Hollywood's present approach. "International Lady," which Edward Small is making, is the tale of the pursuit by the F. B. I. and Scotland Yard of Ilona Massey, a Teutonic spy, until she falls in love with a G-man. According to Small's representatives, the same story could be made with a Civil War background or against the tapestry of a sinister peacetime munitions conspiracy. Its plot is a reversion to the elemental principles of photoplay making.

Paramount's "One Night in Lisbon," while possessing the flavour of propaganda, could have been made if there were no Nazis. The London air-raids are exciting but not essential to the plot and the chase of the heavies at the end is identical with the chase in "The Sheriff of Red Rock Canyon" and other horse operas. "Man Hunt" at Fox, while it has its philosophic moments, basically is action and melodrama. "A Yank in the R.A.F." also at Fox and Walter Wanger's "Eagle Squadron" are described as action pictures. Warners' "Underground" alone clings to the propaganda cycle, but it is reported to be far less argumentative than the earlier "Confessions."

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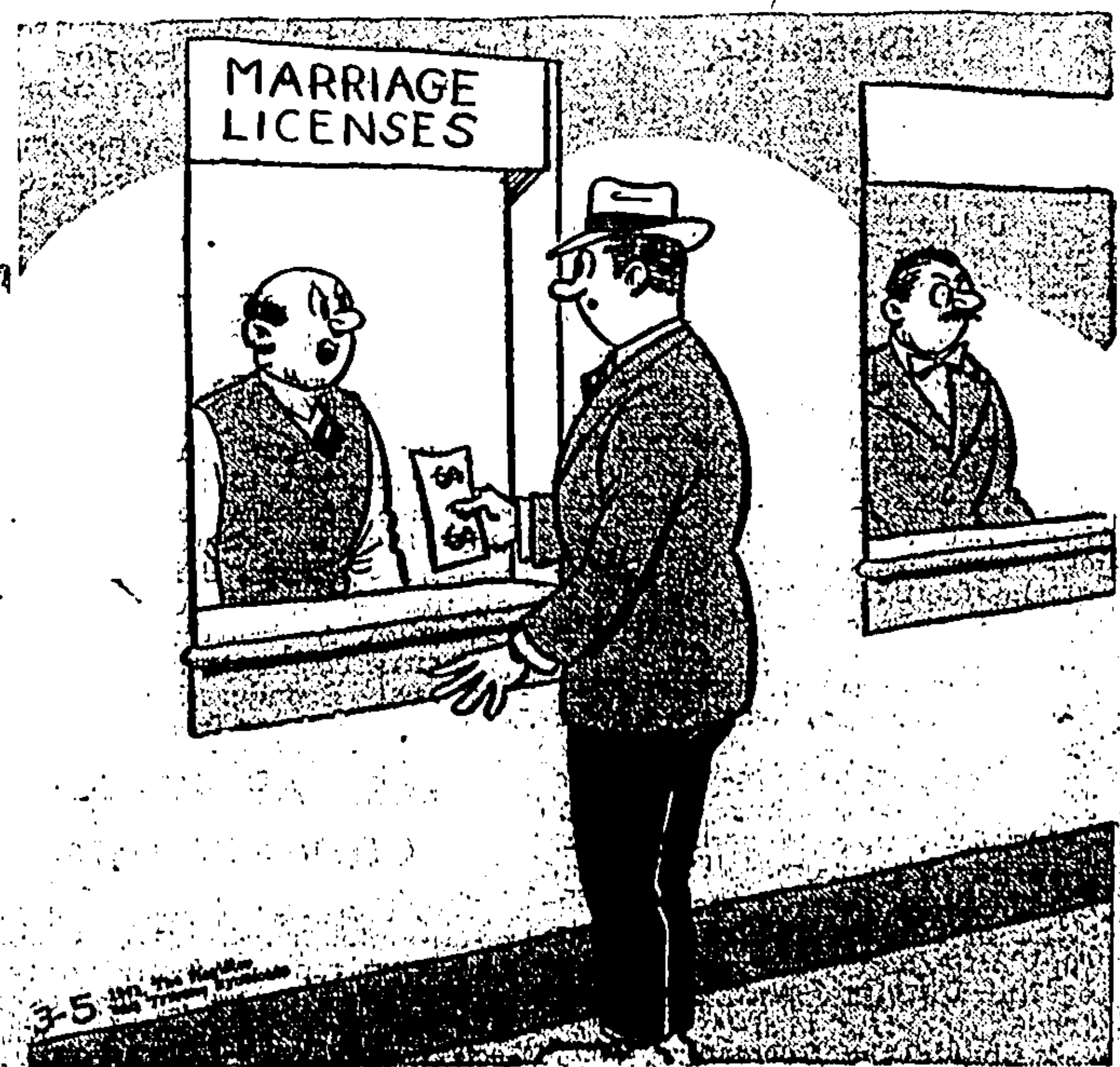
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"Paradise for Two"—Selection (Spillansky)... London Films Studio Orchestra.  
"Heart's Desire"—Selection... Cine Studio Orchestra.  
"O.H.M.S."—Turning the Town Upside Down (Sigler & others)... Louis Levy & his Gaumont-British Symphony.  
1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Programme Summary.  
1.02 p.m.—Humorous & Vocal Variety. Humorous Sketch—Sandy The Farmer (Wise)... Sandy Powell & Company. Vocal—Stompin' At The Savoy (Goodman, Webb, Sampson)... Swing. Mister Charlie (Robinson, Taylor, Brooks)... Judy Garland with Orch. Vocal—All Through A Glass of Champagne (from "Lights Up"—Winperis-Gay)... Arthur Askey with Orchestra.  
Comedienne That's The Worst of Having People Upstairs (Kenneth & George Western)... Elsie & Doris Waters with Piano.  
Talking—John Henry's Tiger (Henry) John Henry assisted by Gladys Horridge.  
Vocal—Sweetheart, Let's Grow Old Together (Bratton & Edwards)... Kitty Masters with Orchestra.  
1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press and Announcements.  
1.45 p.m.—Dance Music.  
Fox-Trot—Get Your Boots Laced. Papa... Woody Herman & his Orch. Rumba—Am't Cha Comin' Out?... Quick-Step—The Corrigan Hop. Nat Gonella & his Georgians. Waltz—The Moon of Manakoro (from film "The Hurricane")... Mario De Pietro & his Estudiantina. Slow Fox-Trots—I Love You Much Too Much. I Was Watching A Man Paint A Fence... Ambrose and his Orchestra.  
Quick-Step—Give Me My Ranch. Fox-Trot—Goodnight, My Beautiful... Ken "Snakehips" Johnson & his West Indian Orchestra.  
2.15 p.m.—Close down.  
6.00 p.m.—Indian Programme.  
6.45 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.  
6.47 p.m.—Excerpts from Grand Opera.  
"Die Meistersinger"—Overture (Wagner)... London Philharmonic Orchestra cond. by Georg Szell.  
"Mignon"—Vocal Gems (Thomas)... Grand Opera Company with Orch.  
"A Village Romeo & Juliet"—The Walk to the Paradise Garden (Dellus)... The New Symphony Orchestra.  
"Aida"—O Skies Gerulean (Verdi)... Dusolina Giannini (Soprano) and Members of The Orchestra of La Scala, Milan.  
The Barber of Seville—Largo Al Faccitum (Rossini)... Riccardo Stracciari (Baritone) with Orchestra.  
7.20 p.m.—Brahms Symphony No. 3 in F Major.  
1st Mov: Allegro con brio; 2nd Mov: Andante; 3rd Mov: Poco Allegretto; Finale: Allegro... William Mengelberg & his Concertgebouw Orch.  
8.00 p.m.—London—The News.  
8.15 p.m.—London—War Commentary.  
8.25 p.m.—London—Post-Examination... by German Propaganda.  
8.30 p.m.—Programme...  
8.32 p.m.—Edward Greig's Three Orchestral Pieces.  
Country Dance—Pastoral... Jack Merrimack & his Orchestra.  
8.40 p.m.—Studio—"Some British Poets"—No 6 Yeats. A Talk by Rev. Father T. Ryan, S.J.  
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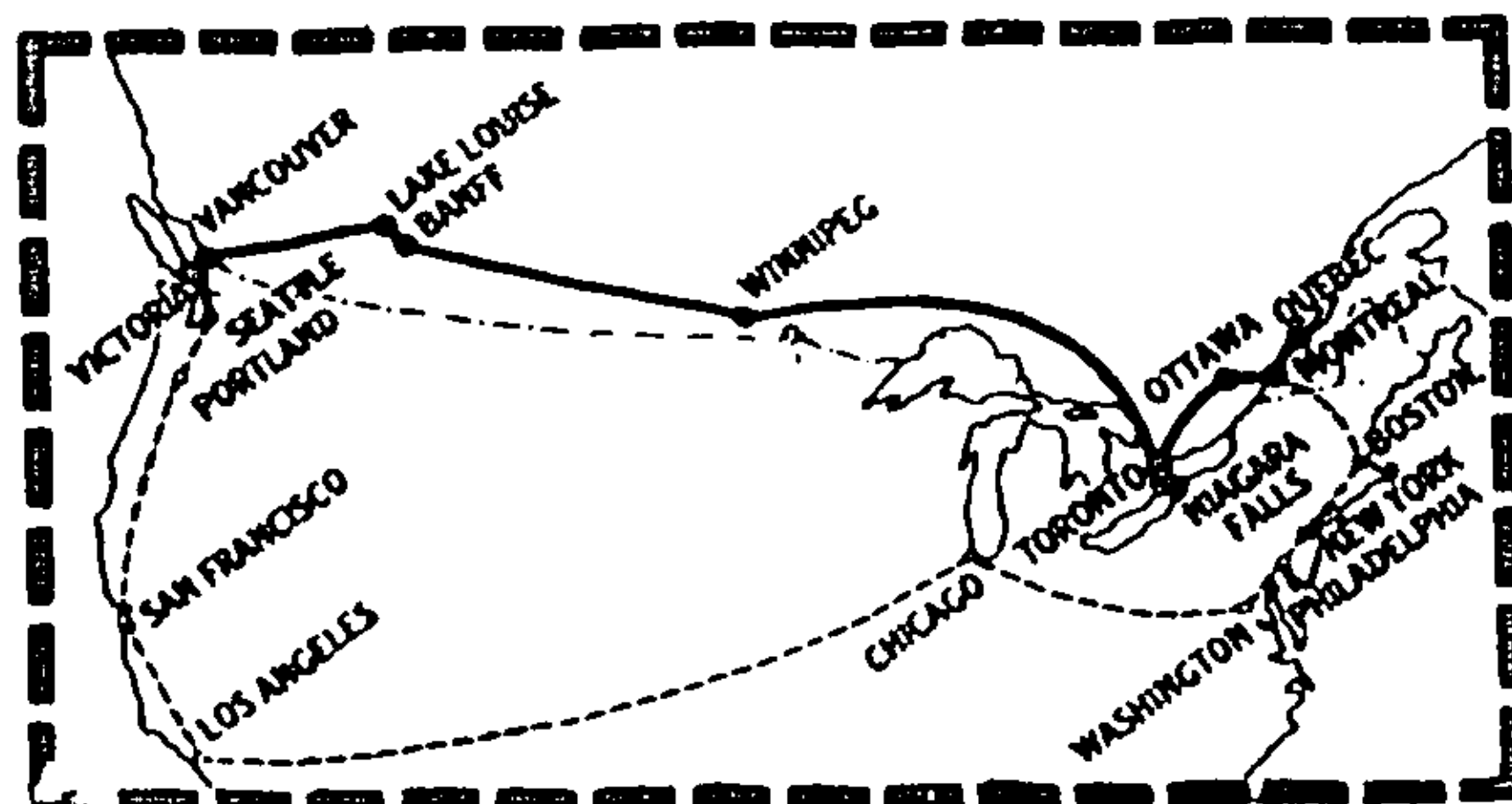
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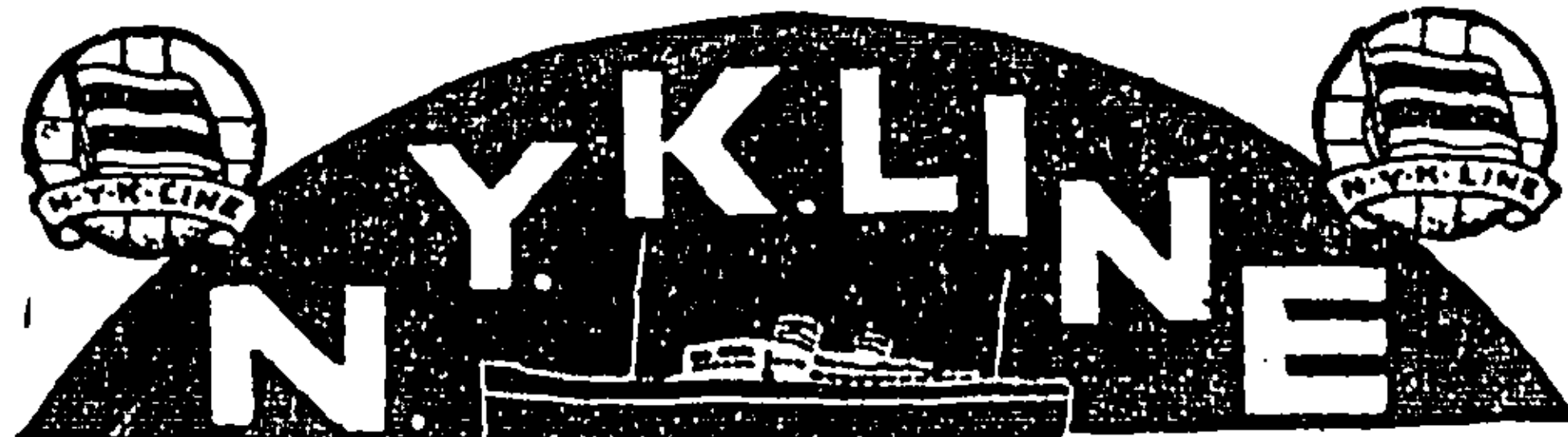
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# A. K. RUMJAHN BEATEN IN BACK-STROKE

Highlight of the swimming trials at the V. R. C. last evening, preparatory to the selection of the Combined V.R.C.-European Y. M. C. A. team for the contest against Combined Chinese in the gala arranged for August 9, was the defeat of A. K. Rumjahn in the 50 Yards back-stroke by T. Lopes who was timed at 32 2/5 secs. against Rumjahn's 33 4/5.

In fairness to Rumjahn, however, it must be stated that he had, a few minutes before this race, taken part in the 50 Yards free-style event, and in view of this the Committee in charge of the selections have decided to hold another trial over this distance on Thursday.

A further trial will be held on Tuesday as the turn-out yesterday was affected by Volunteer duties.

J. Hutchinson was seeded in the men's events while in the Ladies' section the Misses V. Churn, J. Anderson, C. Gutierrez and I. Lopes were exempted from the trials.

## Results

Results of yesterday's events were:  
Men's 100 Yards free-style: L. Roza, 1:02.25; A. B. B. 1:04.15; 1:05.00.

Ladies' 50 Yards free-style: Miss M. Noronha, 37 secs.; Miss E. Grant, 37 1/5 secs.; Miss Y. Yelle, 37 1/5 secs.

Men's 50 Yards free-style (First Heat): C. Saunders, 26 2/5 secs.; J. Fenton, 28 1/5 secs. (Second Heat): E. A. Roberts, 26 3/5 secs.; B. S. Wilson, 27 secs.; L. Roza-Pereira, A. K. Rumjahn.

Members' 50 Yards back-stroke: Handicap: T. A. Rull, 42 secs.; A. B. Carvalho, 39 4/5 secs.; L. M. Remedios, (Second Heat): J. L. Fenton, 37 secs.; F. A. Noronha, 38 secs.

Men's 50 Yards back-stroke: T. Lopes, 32 2/5 secs.; A. K. Rumjahn, 33 4/5 secs.; B. S. Wilson.

## WATER POLO RESULTS

Following are the results of matches in the Y.M.C.A. Invitation Water-Polo tournament played at "Y" pool last night:

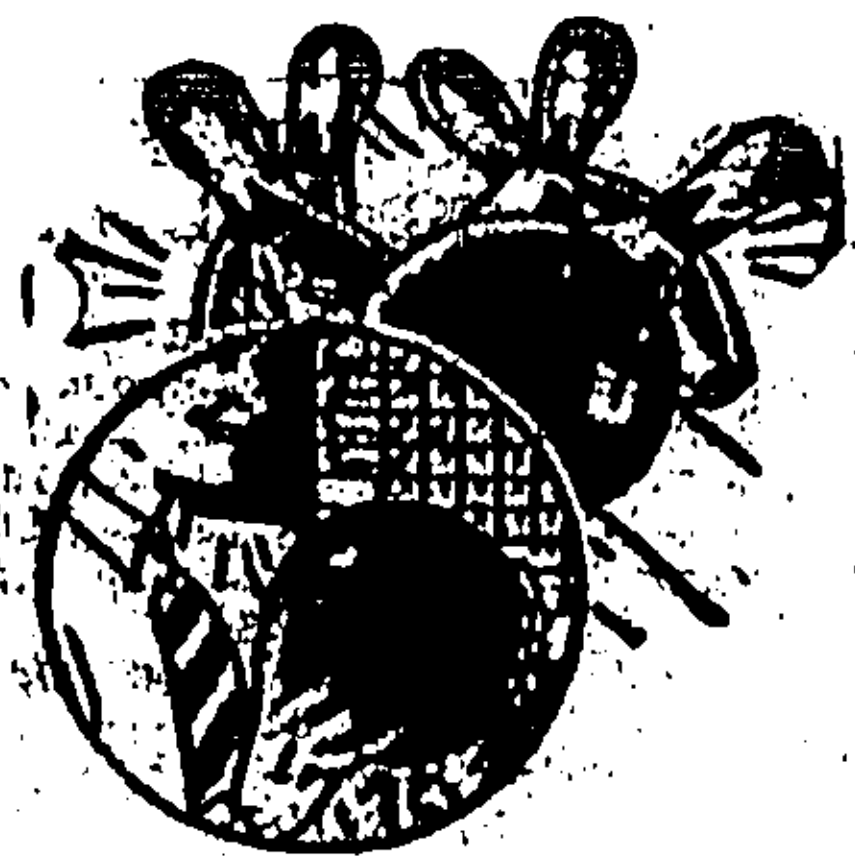
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| Navy "C"                         | 5 | 8th Regt. R.A.                 | 1 |
| Wilson (2), Rice (2) and Gardner |   | McNulty                        |   |
| Middlesex "A"                    | 2 | Royal Scots "A"                | 2 |
| Birdsey and Bladon               |   | Slater and Hunter              |   |
| Middlesex "B"                    | 1 | Sonals                         | 5 |
| Peacock                          |   | Pitcher (3), McAnn and Bedford |   |

## Table To Date

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| Signals          | 17 | 16 | 0  | 1  | 97 | 14 | 33   |
| Y.M.C.A.         | 16 | 14 | 2  | 0  | 82 | 18 | 28   |
| Middlesex "A"    | 16 | 13 | 1  | 2  | 85 | 18 | 28   |
| R. Scots "A"     | 16 | 10 | 5  | 1  | 51 | 54 | 22   |
| R. Navy "A"      | 15 | 10 | 4  | 1  | 55 | 31 | 21   |
| R. Navy "C"      | 16 | 8  | 6  | 2  | 45 | 41 | 18   |
| Combined Small   |    |    |    |    |    |    |      |
| Units            | 16 | 8  | 7  | 1  | 43 | 53 | 17   |
| 8th Regt. R.A.   | 14 | 5  | 7  | 2  | 39 | 35 | 12   |
| Middlesex "B"    | 15 | 4  | 10 | 1  | 29 | 57 | 9    |
| 5th. A.A. Regt.  |    |    |    |    |    |    |      |
| R.A.             | 14 | 3  | 9  | 2  | 31 | 45 | 8    |
| 955th. Bty. R.A. | 16 | 2  | 12 | 2  | 28 | 79 | 6    |
| R. Navy "B"      | 10 | 2  | 7  | 1  | 11 | 40 | 5    |
| 36th. Bty. R.A.  | 14 | 1  | 12 | 1  | 16 | 67 | 3    |
| R. Scots "B"     | 15 | 0  | 14 | 1  | 15 | 68 | 1    |

Canadian-Chinese girls are hoping to form a basketball team in the near future, and a meeting will be held next Tuesday.

Victoria Recreation Club are holding heats this afternoon at 6 p.m. in preparation for the club swimming gala on Saturday.

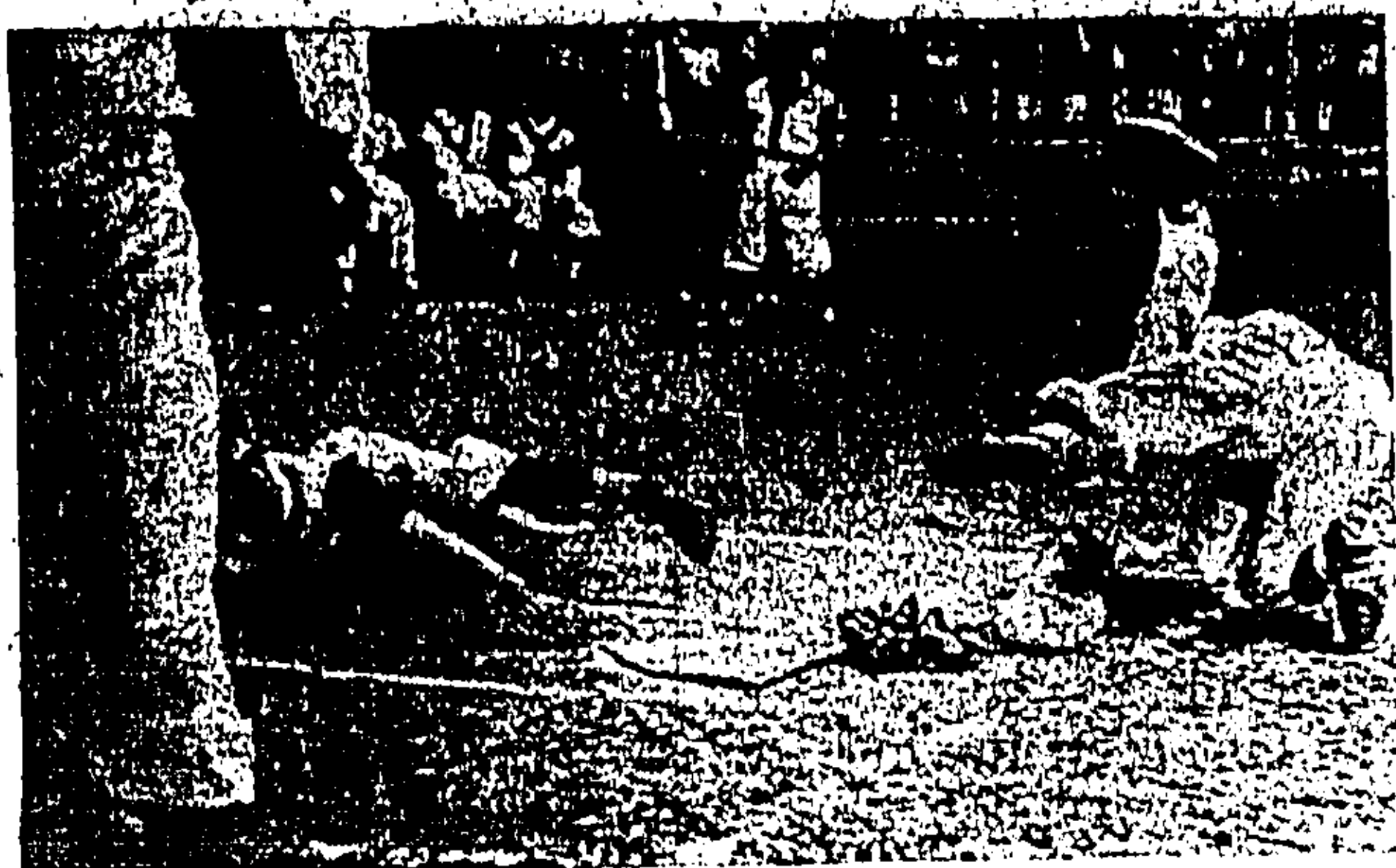


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## HONG KONG BOWLING ALLEYS

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Ma Nai-kwong, of Chung Hwa, coming home on a bad throw during the game between Chung Hwa and South China on Saturday, which the former won by 6 runs to 3. The catcher is Harold Winglee.

# SHANGHAI GOLFERS OF TODAY AND YESTERDAY

ONE IS OFTEN ASKED HOW DO THE PRESENT LEADING GOLFERS HERE COMPARE WITH THE STALWARTS OF YESTER-YEAR, WRITES A "CHINA PRESS," SHANGHAI, CORRESPONDENT. GOING BACK OVER THE PAST FIFTEEN YEARS WE HAVE SEEN MANY GOOD GOLFERS COME AND GO, BUT DOES THE QUALITY CHANGE? WE DOUBT IT.

## BERNARD CARSLAKE PASSES

BERNARD CARSLAKE, ONE OF THE LEADING ENGLISH JOCKEYS FOR 40 YEARS, DIED AT HIS HOME NEAR SALISBURY YESTERDAY AGED 55.

Carslake, who was born in Australia, was the last link of the great days of Edwardian jockeys and was always one of the most "stylish" riders in the history of racing.

On the outbreak of the war in 1914 Carslake, who was twice champion jockey, was in Austria-Hungary but escaped from Austria disguised as a fireman on a railway engine and reached Rumania, where he rode a number of winners in 1915.

Soon afterwards he went to Russia where he also became champion jockey. He escaped from there when the revolution broke out and reached England after a series of thrilling adventures.

He won most of the important races in England, but never rode a Derby winner.—Reuter.

## HITCH-HIKES 150 MILES TO FIGHT

FOUR BOXERS STRENGTHENED THEIR CLAIMS FOR BRITISH TITLE FIGHTS WHEN THEY APPEARED IN THE RED CROSS TOURNAMENT AT LEICESTER, WHERE A CAPACITY CROWD OF 6,000 SAW SOME GOOD SPORT.

The were Tom Reddington (heavyweight), Harry Lazar (lightweight), Freddie Mills (middleweight) and Eddie Ryan (welterweight).

Mills, whose long sequence of wins has placed him high among the challengers to Jock McAvoy, had to "hitch-hike" 150 miles in order to get to Leicester in time to meet Sadd. He had missed the weigh-in earlier in the day, but was in time for the contest, out-fought Sadd in close-quarter fighting, and then was promised a lift in a car back to his R.A.F. station.

### Points Decisions

Reddington outpointed George Markwick, Lazar outpointed George Bridges, Mills beat Ginger Sadd, who retired at the end of the 9th round, and Eddie Ryan beat Harry Craster on points.

Reddington was far more accurate than usual and showed fine speed in forcing the fight against the plucky opponent.

Lazar, after a clear-cut points victory over Bridges, announced through his manager that he was prepared to meet Eric Boon, British lightweight champion, in a title fight for any stake up to £10,000.—Reuter.

You strike your form in a competition, you win it. If you are off that putter, just getting a wee bit right hand in on the driver, or, perhaps, hitting from the top of your swing, it's a certainty you are dead set out of the running. Consider J. B. Ferrier, Budd, Blinco, Mitchell (Army), Broadhurst (Marines), Harrison, Malcolm and Barrett all were great golfers on their day, but easy to beat when off a bit. So it will go on in local golf. The standard varies very little, but with increased interest in the game, competition may get greater and so, the future champions will not stand out so individually as some of their predecessors.

### The Courses

The condition of the courses has a great deal to do with the scores, for if a golfer gets off to a good start he gains confidence and it takes a major disaster to stop him. But we behold him should he strike a bad patch in the championship, especially at the beginning of the first round, for he may well finish last, because nothing is so heart-breaking to a golfer as having to carry a couple of sevens or an eight with him for two days.

Hungao course is in fine condition, the greens have never been better and the surroundings are conducive to tranquillity. If you are hitting them straight Good scores should be the rule rather than the exception on this course, but it is seldom so. There are seven 3-par holes and, at least, another four possible threes and yet, it is doubtful if the average return, even in friendly week-end games, exceeds five. Seeking a different proposition. It was more open, but following a generous donation of trees from a member this openness is minimised. The planting of so many trees has been a great improvement and they make even the short handicap man think twice before banging at one.

### "Where Do Balls Go?"

The great question troubling all local golfers is "Will there be any balls to play with by September?" In the good

# RECREIO "A" MAKE FEW CHANGES FOR SATURDAY'S GAME AGAINST K.B.G.C. "A"

RECREIO "A" WILL BE AT HOME TO KOW-LOON BOWLING GREEN "A" AND ONLY A COUPLE OF CHANGES HAVE BEEN MADE IN THE TEAM THAT BEAT THEIR OWN "B" TEAM LAST WEEK. J. F. V. RIBEIRO WILL HAVE THE SAME FOUR, BUT C. M. SILVA, WHO PLAYED NO. 2 TO ALVES LAST WEEK, WILL GO TO LUZ'S RINK, IN THE SAME POSITION, TO CHANGE PLACES WITH C. ROZA-PEREIRA.

Two of the "B" rinks remain intact, but in J. J. Basto's four, C. H. Basto, who was No. 3 last week, will move up to No. 2 with C. A. Lopes, an absentee last week, returning to his usual place at No. 3. C. C. Pereira retains his Second Division rink, but E. Barros drops out of Carvalho's four, and his place as lead will be taken by L. A. Rosario, who was No. 2 last week. A. V. Barros, No. 2 to Soares last week, will come into this rink as No. 2.

A. P. Pereira, who was playing in Third Division last week, takes over the third rink from J. R. Soares, who moves up to No. 3 to displace C. M. S. Alves, No. 2 this week. A. V. Barros, who will be playing in Carvalho's four on Saturday, was Soares' No. 2.

The Third Division team has been considerably changed about. Yvanovich will have a new No. 2 in A. M. Silva, in place of G. Gutierrez, who goes to the same position, vice J. A. Remedios, in the second rink, which will be skipped by Alarcon. Instead of the promoted Pereira, No. 1 here will be Ribeiro instead of M. Gutierrez, with Mendonca keeping his place as No. 3. M. F. Pinna will have Campos as No. 2 to replace H. M. Xavier, promoted to No. 3 in place of A. A. da Roza.

### Selected Teams

Following are the selected teams:  
First Division "A" (v. K.B.G.C. "A", home):—F. X. Silva, C. Roza-Pereira, J. E. Noronha, H. A. Alves (skip); Joe Luz, C. E. Marques, L. F. Xavier, J. F. V. Ribeiro (skip); F. X. Soares, C. M. da Silva, F. V. V. Ribeiro, R. F. Luz (skip).

First Division "B" (v. Craigengower C.C., home):—D. C. Alves, C. H. Basto, C. A. Lopes, J. J. Basto (skip); F. A. Machado, A. F. Noronha, J. C. Remedios, E. Sousa (skip); C. F. Vas, A. M. Xavier, A. M. Rodrigues, A. P. Gutierrez (skip).

Second Division (v. Talkoo, away):—A. J. Osmond, C. M. S. Alves, J. R. Soares, A. P. Pereira (skip); L. A. Rosario, A. V. Barros, H. R. Pinna, M. A. Carvalho (skip); E. Cunha, F. A. Xavier, J. A. Remedios, C. C. Pereira (skip).

Third Division (v. Kowloon B.G.C., away):—G. A. Pinna, A. M. Silva, E. A. R. Alves, P. Yvanovich (skip); Arthur Ribeiro, G. Gutierrez, M. Mendonca, M. F. Alarcon (skip); F. P. Sequeira, R. A. Campos, H. M. Xavier, M. F. Pinna (skip).

old days when golf balls were a dollar and a half you always got back your lost balls. Now at \$8.50 you seldom do. It reminds one of that old music hall song "Where do flies go in the winter?" We could tell them where the golf balls go that are never found! The purloining—as one of the Council's leading advisers would put it—of balls is particularly despicable at present, because fresh stocks are not arriving and even the "pivot boys" are having to smash around the courses with a rather bedraggled Topflite or 65. Was it Byron who said inter alia "With all thy faults I love thee still!" So it is with golf, we moan, cuss, groan, but go on hoping for that great day when we will just bust the course record.

# WE ALL HAVE OUR TROUBLES SAYS C. WOOD

We all have our troubles—champions and duffers alike, writes Craig Wood, winner of the 1941 P.G.A. Championship. There are moments in the life of the mightiest player when his knees and wrists feel as if they were made of feathers and blotting paper—moments when the stoutest champion grinds his teeth and swears that some invisible devil has sneaked into the core of the little white pill called a golf ball.

The only difference is that the experienced tournament player, whose livelihood depends on the steadiness of his golf game, has developed a formula—some call it psychology, but I prefer to call it a mixture of concentration and application—for getting himself in hand when a mental blow-up threatens.

The first rule of golf psychology should be a realisation on the part of every player that high tension, while harmful in the long run to anybody's game, is not necessarily fatal.

### Psychological Effect

Therefore, if the golfer can train himself to remember that it is possible to settle down to play good golf, even after starting out with ragged nerves, it should have a marked psychological effect in steadying his game. It is even possible to start under great tension and still play sound golf from the very beginning.

Anything—and everything—is to come into the golfer's mind as he plays in a crucial tournament. Therefore, the good player must train himself rigidly to be able to concentrate on golf—golf and nothing but golf—while preparing for and making a shot. He must be able to size up a situation quickly, decide what the shot calls for, then go ahead and execute it with a clear mind and perfect confidence that it will be successful.

### Waited 15 Years

Although Craig Wood is recognised as one of the most consistent golfers among the top flight over a number of years, it is not generally realised that this player had to wait 15 years before he won the National Open. And that in his 40th year.

Wood has been on the verge of big titles for a number of years, but the crown always proved too elusive.

His 284 under adverse conditions at Fort Worth recently marked the third successive year that he finished under 300. In 1924 in 1939 and 289 in 1940. Denny Shute beat him in a play-off for the British Open in 1933. Horton Smith defeated him by a stroke with 284 in the Masters' inaugural in 1934, and Paul Runyan's blazing putter caught him at the 38th hole of a P.G.A. play-off the same year.

## K.B.G.C. BOWLS RESULTS

Following are the latest lawn bowls tournament results at Kowloon Bowling Green Club:—CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

First Round:—T. Coleman beat A. J. Rogers; R. Morrison beat H. Nibb.

PRESIDENT'S CUP

First Round:—L. A. Jordan beat G. Thompson.

VICE-PRESIDENT'S CUP

First Round:—B. Duncan beat C. E. Langley.

NON-PRIZE-WINNERS COMPETITION

First Round:—A. G. Gardner beat A. J. Rogers; F. C. Climo beat F. W. Ginter; P. Holloway received a walk-over from P. A. Peddam.

HANDICAP SINGLES

First Round:—M. Fernandez (scr.) beat W. J. Geall (8); F. Caceran (2) received a walk-over from R. P. Phillips (scr.); C. E. Turpin (6) beat G. W. Deacon (2).

HONG KONG AND KOWLOON RESIDENTS' UNION will hold their fourth swimming gala at Lai-chikok on Saturday, commencing at 7.30 p.m.

In a hockey match at Shamshulpo on Saturday last H.Q. Company Middlesex Regiment shared eight goals with Khalsa.

"Kid" Souza, a Portuguese boxer, was wounded in a Shanghai cabaret on July 19, when he was fired on by terrorists who attempted to bomb the cabaret, according to a "China Press" report.

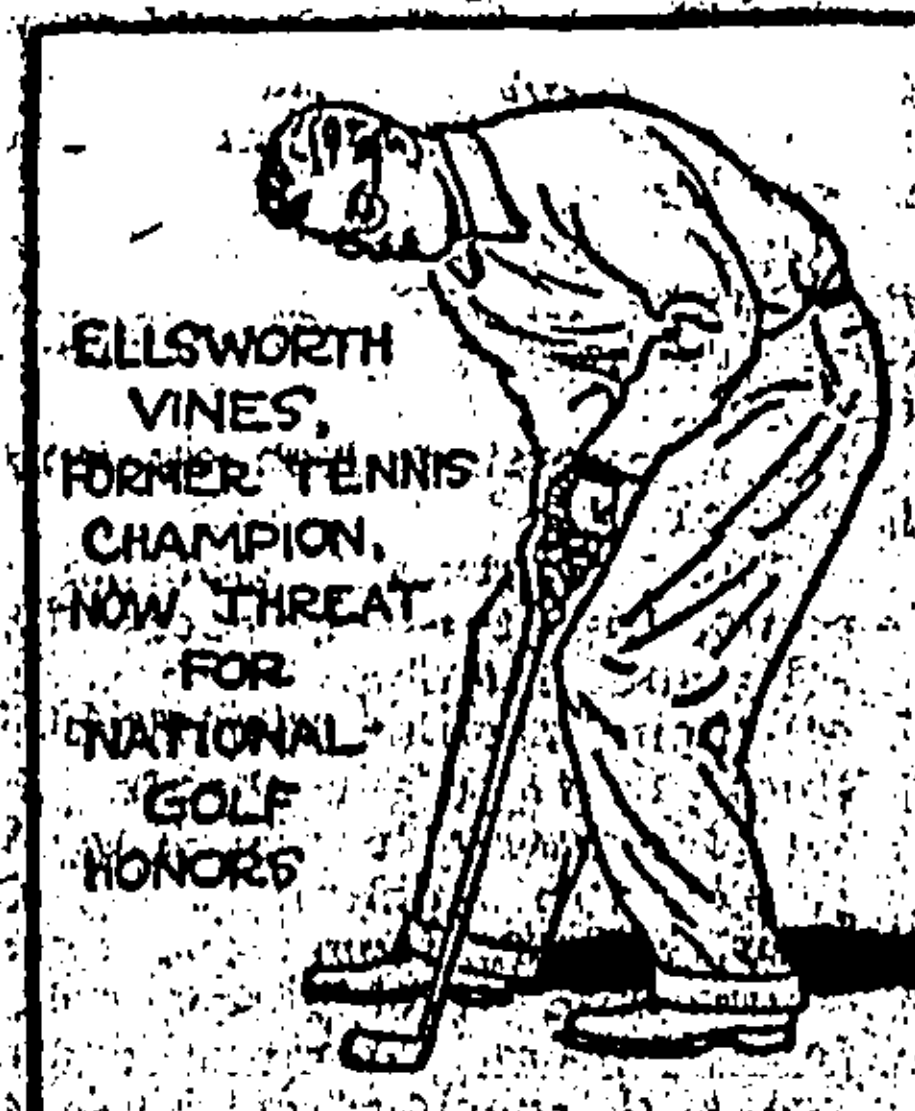
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## WHAT PRACTICE CAN DO

### By Best Ball

Ellsworth Vines' triumph in the Bobby Jones Trophy tournament in which he scored a 67-61 for two rounds over a par 60 course, affords an object lesson to the average player of just what determination and a lot of practice will do. Perhaps it was Vines' great spirit of competition which led him to take up golf seriously. A tennis champion, one of the greatest of all, used to consistency in play he was intrigued and challenged by the inconsistency of his play in golf. Schooled in achieving perfection in tennis strokes he could be satisfied with no less a degree of perfection in golf.

Naturally every player does not possess Vines' competitive temperament nor do they have the time to practice the game in the same measure he devoted to it. Yet even in fewer and briefer practice sessions there lies a



## CONSTANT PRACTICE BUILT UP VINES' GAME

chance for potential improvement. It only remains for the player to make up his mind to develop a better game.

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## FIVE AT LAST END DECIDES

Four of the postponed Colony Lawn Bowls Pairs Championship Second Round games were decided last evening, outstanding feature of which was the win scored by Harris and Soutar, of Police Recreation Club, over Skyes and Gill, of Kowloon Bowling Green Club.

Scores at the penultimate head in this game were 19-16 in favour of Gill, but a 5 at the last head for Soutar and his partner gave them passage into the Third Round.

### Last Minute Rally

At Kowloon Football Club W. B. Harris and A. Soutar beat L. R. Skyes and J. C. Gill 21-19.

Gill was leading up to the 20th head when the scores stood at 19-16 in his favour, but a five at the last end for the Police pair gave them victory when it appeared that Gill and his partner had as good as qualified for the Third Round.

Gill and Skyes were playing the better brand of bowls, though in the later stages the Police pair improved considerably.

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### Win By 29

D. A. Rosario and J. S. Landolt beat J. H. Gelling and H. G. Wallington 36-7 at Police Recreation Club.

Landolt and his partner were much too good for their opponents who were allowed to score at only 5 ends. Up to the 16th Wallington had only 4, all from singles, but at the next head they scored a 3 only to be blanked for the remaining four heads.

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### Dall's Big Win

W. McLeod and W. Dall beat B. A. Mansell and G. E. Stephens by 30-12 at Civil Service Cricket Club.

The game was too one-sided to be of any interest although the losers promised great things when they started off with a four and then, after having been blanked for three ends in a row, regained the lead, 9-7 at the 7th.

Thereafter, however, the Police pair asserted their superiority and scored another 23 shots while allowing their opponents only three singles.

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### Recreio Pair Up

At Kowloon Cricket Club B. Basto and H. R. Pinna beat J. Hurst and G. E. Turpin by 25-15.

The match was fairly even up to the 13th end when the scores were tied at 12-all, but a 4 at the 16th, followed by 14003 gave the Recreio pair a 10-shot win after scoring at only 9 ends.

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### TO-DAY'S TENNIS

Following is to-day's Third Division Lawn Tennis League programme:

A.T.C. v C.R.C. (1)  
K.T.G.C.A. v H.K.U.T.C.  
K.C.C. v C.C.C.  
C.R.C. (2) v S.C.A.A.  
K.I.T.C. v I.R.C.

A hockey match on roller skates was played yesterday between Blitz and Hong Kong Skating Club "B", ending in a goalless draw.

The Chinese personnel of the Fortress Royal Engineers will celebrate their Golden Jubilee on Friday afternoon with a Swimming Gala in the Army pool, commencing at 2.45 p.m. Competing units are Nos. 1, 2 and 3 Sections of 22nd Fortress Coy. and the Right-half and Left-half Sections of 40th Fortress Coy.

## NO LOGICAL CONTENDERS FOR JOE LOUIS' CROWN

The United States National Boxing Association announced recently that there are no logical contenders to the title of heavyweight champion Joe Louis.

Billy Conn, former light-heavyweight king, was rated no better than Max Baer and Lou Nova, the three being grouped as "outstanding boxers." Baer has been an "outstanding boxer" in N.B.A. ratings since he dropped the world's championship to Jimmy Braddock. Nova was promoted because of good showing.

Succeeding Conn at the top of the light-heavy division was Anton Christopoulos, of Greece. Jimmie Webb,

## EXCITING BASKETBALL PROMISED

An interesting and hard-fought match should be witnessed at Kowloon Chinese Y.M.C.A. this evening, when Sing Tao, holders of the All-Colony Chinese Basketball League, clash with their strongest rivals in the same League, South China, in the Open Basketball League for the Wu Teh Chen Cup. The match will start at 8.30 p.m.

In the curtain-raiser, at 7.30 p.m., Indian Police will meet the strong National University squad.

## HOLDS 20 CEYLON RECORDS

At a Records Meet held at the Kandy Y.M.C.A. Gymnasium under the auspices of Ceylon Amateur Weightlifters' Association recently T. S. J. Packeer Ally, 9 stone champion of Ceylon, created the following records:

1. Right hand clean and jerk—110½ lbs. record in the 9, 10 and 11 stone classes.
2. Left hand clean and jerk—107 lbs. record in the 9 stone class.
3. Two hands clean and press from behind neck—124 lbs. record in the 9 stone, 10, 11 and 12 stone classes.
4. Two hands clean and jerk from behind neck—184½ lbs. record in the 9, 10, 11 and 12 stone classes.

He also won a first class certificate of merit on the Pull Over and "Press on Back" without Bridge by doing 141 lbs. The record on the "Two hands clean" and "Press from Behind" neck stood at 122 lbs. from 25/5/41 when Winston Pereira (Colombo Samson Institute) established it in the 8 stone class, from which it travelled up to the 12 stone class. Now Packeer Ally has taken it up from the 9 to the 12 stone classes.

The Two Hands clean and jerk from Behind Neck record of 184½ lbs. established by Packeer Ally beats his own record of 161½ lbs. held by him since April, 1940.

PACKEER ALLY IS NOW THE HOLDER OF 20 CEYLON RECORDS.

## CRAIGENGOWER TENNIS WIN

At Happy Valley yesterday, Craigengower Cricket Club beat Army Tennis Club by 7 sets to 2 in Fourth Division of the Tennis League:

K. M. Au and C. M. Lee (C.C.C.) beat Q.M.S. Ford and L/Cpl. Stoner 6-4  
beat Spr. Elsley and Sergt. Alsey 6-0  
beat S/Sergt. Mitchell and Sergt. Musson 6-4  
Y. H. Leung and Y. C. Mok (C.C.C.) beat Ford and Stoner 6-0  
lost to Elsley and Alsey 3-6  
beat Mitchell and Musson 6-4  
M. C. Hung and P. C. Yu (C.C.C.) beat Ford and Stoner 6-3  
lost to Elsley and Alsey 2-6  
beat Mitchell and Musson 6-2

### Table To Date

|              | Sets | P. | W. | L. | D.  | F.  | A. | Pts. |
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| S.C.A.A.     | 8    | 8  | 0  | 0  | 60½ | 11½ | 16 |      |
| C.C.C.       | 7    | 6  | 1  | 0  | 47½ | 19½ | 12 |      |
| C.R.C.       | 7    | 6  | 1  | 0  | 45  | 18  | 12 |      |
| F.C.         | 8    | 5  | 3  | 0  | 43  | 26  | 10 |      |
| A.T.C.       | 8    | 3  | 4  | 1  | 35½ | 39½ | 6  |      |
| I.R.C.       | 7    | 3  | 3  | 1  | 25  | 38  | 7  |      |
| C.B.A.       | 6    | 2  | 4  | 0  | 22½ | 28½ | 4  |      |
| P.O.R.C. (1) | 7    | 2  | 5  | 0  | 20  | 43  | 4  |      |
| J.R.C.       | 7    | 1  | 6  | 0  | 20  | 43  | 2  |      |
| P.O.R.C. (2) | 7    | 1  | 6  | 0  | 13  | 50  | 2  |      |
| K.I.T.C.     | 6    | 0  | 6  | 0  | 7½  | 46½ | 0  |      |

## UGLY SCENE IN INTERNATIONAL SOCCER MATCH

Clydeside took a couple of hours off from the war on Saturday, (May 3) and went back to work the better for the break, Mr. Bevin, writes L. V. Manning.

I should say the crowd at Hampden was the biggest assembled on any football ground since the first sirens—over 80,000—but the correct figures are still hush-hush. This is not yet official.

If the receipts are far short of £10,000 I'll be surprised, and all the profits go to some charity. The match was free of tax, so there will be big money to divide.

Which brings me to a grouse which is mine—not the players. When war blew contracts sky

high few workers were hit so harshly—unfairly is a better word—as the football professional.

### Opportunity Missed

That has not prevented the victims generously answering the charity match call on countless occasions and they have been told over and over again they would not be forgotten.

Before the match the English players were informed they would be paid the same as the Scots—£2.

It is my opinion that both the Scottish and English F.A. have missed an opportunity of recognising in a practical way the services of men who not only made this match worthy of a big crowd but have done something important for the game's shaded future.

### Tale Of A Shirt

Moreover there was a lot of avoidable irritation caused in the English dressing room by the decision not to allow the team to keep their shirts, a usual concession in international matches and one which on Saturday would have been particularly appreciated by the young players making their first appearance at Hampden. Such gestures cost little but mean much.

### Ugly Incidents

How seriously the players took the match, well won 3-1 by England, found expression unfortunately in an

ugly attack late in the game on the fallen English goalkeeper which should have earned more than a caution for Venters, and was followed by incidents in which only Walker of the Scottish forwards escapes criticism so far as I am concerned.

Bacuzzi and Cullis were happily checked by the English captain from giving too free expression to their indignation.

It is up to the Scottish F.A. to take the disciplinary action the regrettable outburst demands.

### Don Does It Again

Don Welsh put up something of a record by scoring his sixth goal for England in two weeks. Swift dived late when Venters scored Scotland's goal. Mannion top class if he could grow a bit, Bacuzzi better than I thought he was. Poor Scotland team, but there's always Dawson.

A meeting of the soccer section of Hong Kong Football Club will be held in the Clubhouse at 6 p.m. this evening.

Members of Hong Kong Police Rifle Club have their own miniature range at the back of Central Police Station, and it is here that the team fires off its postal matches in the Miniature Rifle League. It is only a 20-yard range and for that reason the targets used by members of the Police team are smaller than those in use by other clubs who have a 25-yard range.

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# ATTEMPT TO CAPTURE MOSCOW ABANDONED?

## Russo-German War Enters On New Phase

### Nazi Morale

### Shaken

## ONE HUGE HORROR

"This war is the thirstiest of all wars. We thirst for so much as one hour without the noise of battle, for a strip of summer road which does not smell of burning and death."

This extract from a German soldier's letter, written from the eastern front, is quoted by the Berlin correspondent of the Zurich newspaper "Bund."

"But all this is trifling besides the thirst for water to drink and wash in. This is the worst war, Germany has had to fight."

"It is a war to win or perish against soldiers who fight with desperate obstinacy, even in hopeless situations."

THE WRITER SUMMARISES IN ONE SENTENCE: "WAR IN RUSSIA, MORE THAN ANY WHERE ELSE, IS ONE HUGE HORROR."—REUTER.

## Nazis Still Hope For Soviet Collapse

"THE LATEST GERMAN STATEMENTS SHOW THAT THE GERMANS HAVE GIVEN UP THE INTENTION OF PUSHING DIRECTLY TO MOSCOW AND OF ADVANCING DEEP INTO RUSSIA, AND ARE TRYING TO EFFECT TACTICAL SUCCESSES WITHIN THE GENERAL TURMOIL," SAYS THE ZURICH "NATIONAL ZEITUNG."

"This does not correspond with expectations raised at the beginning of the war after the relatively easy capture of Russian frontier areas."

"Their communications, stretching over hundreds of kilometres, continually threatened by systematic enemy guerilla action, interrupted at dozens of places and bombarded by a still very active enemy air force, the Germans' problem is to maintain coherence between their advanced posts and bases," the newspaper continues.

"That means a great loss of time. Delay is of great advantage to Britain in putting the last touches to the islands' defences and in carrying out air attacks against the German armament industry," it concludes.

### Nazi Hope

The Berlin correspondent of the "Basler Nachrichten" says that German military experts are

hoping that the fighting on the eastern front, like the Somme and Aisne battles of the last war, will end with a sudden enemy collapse.

The correspondent, however, adds these experts admit the comparison is limited because Soviet Russia, unlike France, "still disposes of enormously great and intact reserves."—Reuter.

### Soviet Communique

A Soviet communique says stubborn fighting continues in the directions of Novorzhevsk, Nevel, Smolensk and Zhitomir.

Fighting is particularly heavy in the Smolensk direction where Soviet troops dislodged enemy units as a result of a counter-attack.

There is little activity in the remaining sectors.

Seventy-four German planes were brought down during July 27 and 28.—Reuter.

### Heavy Fighting

The following communique was issued in Moscow early this morning by the Soviet Information Bureau:—

"During July 29, our troops were engaged in the Novorzhevsk, Smolensk and Zhitomir directions. There was particularly heavy fighting in the Smolensk direction where our units dislodged the enemy from his position with a succession of counter-attacks. The enemy suffered heavy losses."

"On the remaining sectors of the front there was scouting activity and engagements of a local character."

"Our aircraft, in cooperation with the land forces, delivered blows at enemy units at various points. During July 27 and 28 our air force brought down 74 German planes. Our losses were 51 planes."

"During an air raid on Moscow on the night of July 28 the Germans lost 10 planes and not nine as previously reported." — Reuter.

### Exhausting Themselves

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Moscow formally announces that the two main German offensives, aimed at Moscow and Kiev, are "breaking" in the face of mighty Soviet counter-assaults.

It is claimed that the Nazi drives on Leningrad and Odessa are exhausting themselves under unyielding Russian resistance.

The Red High Command intimates the Russian armies are developing a counter-offensive. The Russians are reported to be "energetically counter-attacking inflicting heavy losses on the enemy" at Smolensk and Zhitomir.—International News Service.

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## MARKING TIME IN FAR EAST

(Continued from Page 1)  
are disembarking in southern Indo-China and are occupying eight bases.

Chief occupation is at Nha-Trang, north of the Camranh base, while the Japanese are also taking over air and military bases at Saigon.

Japan has acquired the use of railways, roads and communications.—International News Service.

## NEW MINISTER IN KABUL

The appointment of Sir Francis Verner Wylie as Minister at Kabul when the present Minister, Lt.

## BEGINNING OF END

Mr. Wendell Willkie, in an interview in Chicago yesterday, expressed the opinion that if the Russians held out until September it would mark the beginning of the end of Hitler.

He believed then that Germany's defeat would be more rapid than most people expected, assuming that the Russians stopped the Nazi drive.—Reuter.

Col. Sir Kerr Fraser-Tytler, vacates the position, has been approved by the King, announces the Foreign Office in London.

Sir Francis was Governor-General of Central Provinces and Berar from 1938 to 1940.—Reuter.

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## SHATTERING BLOW TO NAZIS Cream Of Shock Troops Wiped Out

### OIL EMBARGO DANGER

[SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"]

Additional military and naval detachments are being sent to Indo-China by Japan as the occupation of bases is being carried out.

Meanwhile the Tokyo "Yomiuri" blames "Anglo-American machinations" for the Dutch East Indies freezing order.

Domei says the freezing will not hurt the silk industry and the Government has completed plans to build up home consumption.

#### Depends On Indies

Counter-measures depend on how the Indies' freezing order is executed.

Foreign diplomatic quarters in Tokyo see the oil embargo as a heavy blow but military quarters say the Japanese have six months reserve on hand.

Some was purchased in the U.S. before the U.S. embargo and some came from American firms in Shanghai.

IN THE MEANTIME, IN A DRASTIC STEP TO AVERT AN EXCHANGE PANIC, THE SECURITIES CORPORATION HAS ADVANCED FUNDS TO BOLSTER DECLINING PRICES. — INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE.

#### More Troops Sent

Imperial General Headquarters in Tokyo this morning announced that "additional Japanese army and navy forces were sent to Indo-China to-day," says Reuter.

The announcement does not make it clear whether it is intended to cover the despatch of reinforcements to bring the total strength of the occupying force up to the 40,000 stipulated in the Hanoi agreement, or whether it indicates a further increase in the strength of the Japanese forces.

### IN NORWAY FOR THE DURATION

[SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"]

In an emphatic letter, the husband of Kirsten Flagstad, the opera singer, yesterday informed the National Broadcasting Corporation concert bureau that "it is impossible for the singer to return to the United States before the war is over." — International News Service.

### "KEEP TOKYO IN THE DARK" POLICY

[SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"]

It is reported in Washington that Mr. Sumner Welles, Under-Secretary of State, and Lord Halifax, British Ambassador, have reached an understanding on a "keep Tokyo in the dark" policy.—International News Service.

### HARD FREEZING INTENDED

[BY REUTER'S DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT]

Reports current to the effect that the British and American measures taken in respect of Japanese assets are unlikely to be applied in an effective manner, find no support in authoritative quarters in London.

It is perfectly true that the machinery of prohibition which has been created contains provisions by which licences may be granted in respect of individual transactions.

Nevertheless the immediate effect of the measures taken has been to put a complete stop on all trade and there are no valid grounds for assuming there is any intention of grant licences on a large scale or in such a way as to render the measures ineffective.

While it is impossible to forecast the course of events or to form any estimate of the manner in which discretion to grant licences will be exercised in future, it can at least be said with tolerable certainty that there appears to be no prospect whatever of any important relaxation of the machinery while it remains clear that an aggressive Japanese policy is maintained.—Reuter.

### ELEVEN MORE FIRMS ON LIST

Eleven more British firms have been added to the official list of those directly affected by the freezing law in Japan, eight being in Kobe and one in Osaka, states a Reuter message from Tokyo.

## Spearheads Seriously Blunted

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

DIPLOMATIC ADVICES RECEIVED BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT IN WASHINGTON INDICATE THAT THE CREAM OF GERMAN'S MECHANISED SHOCK TROOPS HAVE BEEN WIPED OUT IN THE RUSSIAN CAMPAIGN.

These shock troops, which led the campaigns in France, the Lowlands and the Balkans, are believed to have suffered losses exceeding 200,000 killed and wounded.

American advices say that "thousands of Italian regulars" en route to the Russian front total less than a full division. They are a token of Mussolini's support rather than effective aid.

In Moscow, the Red High Command says heavy battles are being fought along the entire front, with fresh air blows against German concentrations and aerodromes.

Heaviest fighting is in the areas facing Moscow and Kiev.

"Between 140 and 150 German planes tried a night attack on Moscow. They were dispersed by night fighters and A.A. and only four or five reached the city. There was a small number of victims."

Berlin continues its fantastic claims. Yesterday the Nazis alleged that 20 Russian trains, containing about 1,200 cars loaded with motor vehicles and all types of motor vehicles, have been destroyed east of Smolensk, "crippling the transport system sustaining the central Russian armies."

Berlin also says the last Russian-held town in Bessarabia has fallen. "The town of Akkerman, on the Black Sea, was taken by German and Rumanian troops led by General Antonescu."

#### "Peipus Pincers"

Large forces of Russian troops, it is claimed, are encircled west of Lake Peipus by German pincers.

The German High Command is still silent but Berlin propaganda quarters say this silence precedes "announcement to the world of a Russian disaster," predicting that the Smolensk fighting is proving a fiasco and that the "fate of the Russians there will be sealed in 48 hours."

A great half-circle pincer in the Leningrad area, they claim, is closing in on 20 Russian divisions, while south of Kiev the Russian forces "have been decimated inside a number of rings." — International News Service.

### THE BIG STICK

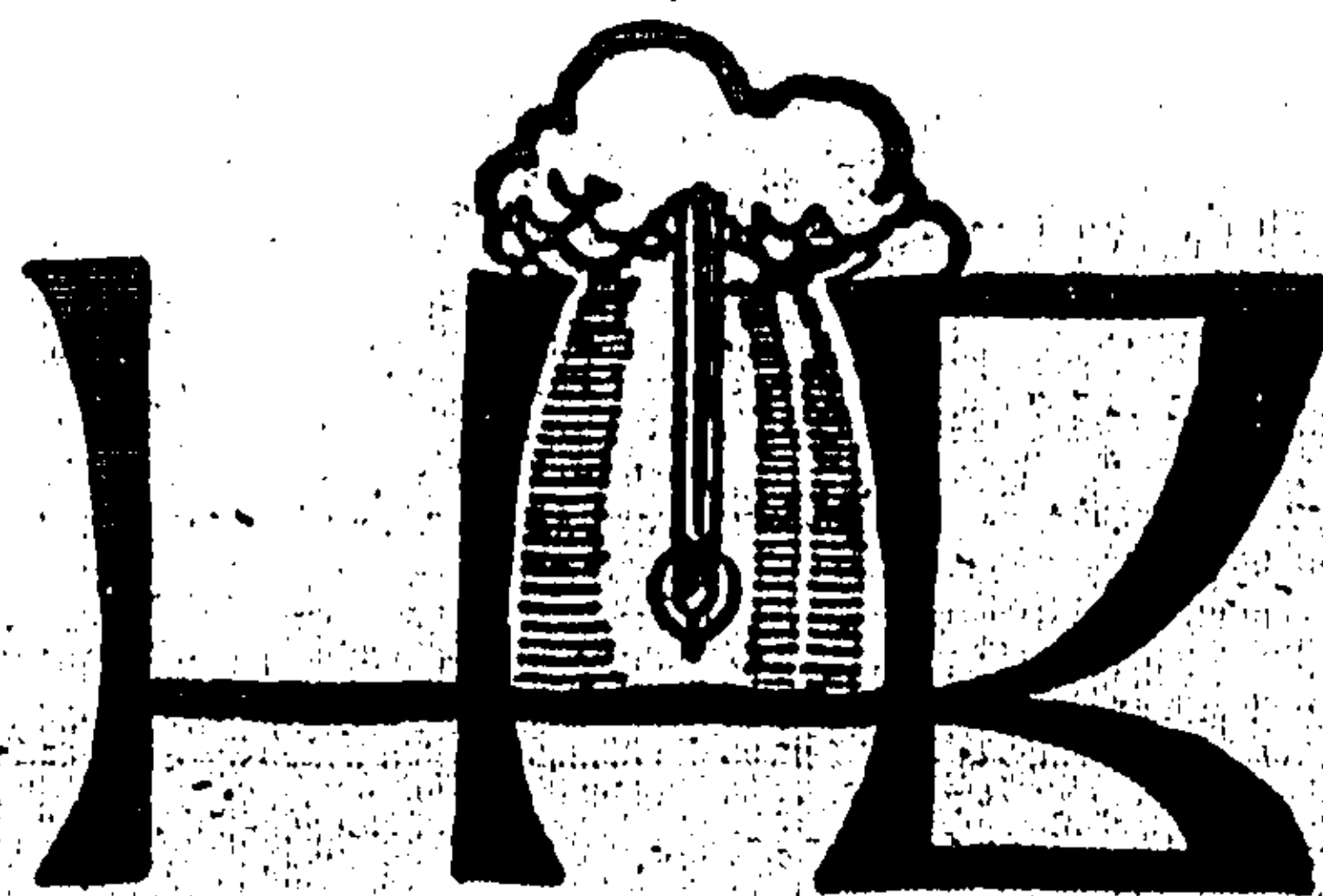
(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The economic blockade has been relaxed to permit Japanese ships to enter U.S. ports but no assurance has been given they will be allowed to remain indefinitely.

Washington quarters see a liberal exercise of the economic sanctions, which are a "big stick" to discourage more aggression endangering American, British and Dutch interests in the Far East.

Thousands of Japanese and Chinese on the west coast are swarming to Federal Reserve offices applying for temporary licences.—International News Service.

HAVE AN H.B.—



—AND THEN TRY!



# REPLY TO ARMS DRIVE CRITICS

Mr. Churchill's Survey In The Commons

## After-Dunkirk Effort Surpassed

**DEALING WITH THE** situation in armaments filling factories, the Prime Minister, in his statement in the House of Commons yesterday on war production, said the position was not as it was in the last war, when there had to be an intense effort to feed the guns from day to day.

We were piling up satisfactory reserves with no immediate outflow.

Coming to the more general charges of slackness and inefficiency in factories, voiced in the recent debate, Mr. Churchill quoted Sir J. S. Wardlaw-Milne, who said Britain was only working up to 75 per cent. of its possible efficiency.

THIS SENTENCE, SAID MR. CHURCHILL, HAD BEEN WRESTED FROM ITS CONTEXT. IT WAS SERIOUS WHEN IT WAS BROADCAST APART FROM ITS CONTEXT.

He had to think of its effect in Australia, where party politics were pursued with robust detachment.

### Brunt Of Fighting

Australian troops were bearing with great distinction much of the brunt of the fighting in the Middle East and it must have been very painful to Australia to be told that Britain was only making a three-quarters effort to put the proper weapons in their hands.

IN AMERICA SUCH A STATEMENT WAS MEAT AND DRINK TO THE ISOLATIONISTS.

Americans were asked to pay higher taxes, to give up food, to alter their daily lives, to reduce their holidays and to go without pleasures of all kinds, in order to help Britain, and they were deeply disturbed when they were told on what seemed to them to be a high British authority that Britain was only making a three-quarters effort to help herself.

WHAT WAS IMPORTANT WAS WHETHER THIS STATEMENT WAS TRUE.

### Of What?

Two questions arose: whether it was 75 per cent. and 75 per cent. of what?

Mr. Churchill proceeded: "I take a datum line of three months after Dunkirk, when our people worked to the utmost limit of their powers—men fell exhausted at their lathes and working men and women did not take off their clothes for a week at a time."

"ARE WE WORKING AT ONLY 75 PER CENT. OF THAT?"

"There are a few reasons why we cannot maintain indefinitely the intensive personal effort of a year ago."

"If we are to win this war, and I feel solidly convinced that we shall, it will be largely by staying power. For that purpose there must be one day in seven of rest as a general rule, and there must be one week's holiday yearly."

"We have relaxed to that extent since Dunkirk: if we had not done so we should have had a serious crash."

### Diet Problems

"Next, allowance must be made for the very severe change in diet of heavy manual workers, which is far less stimulating than a year ago."

"Except for our fighting services we have been driven back to a large extent from the carnivorous to the herbivorous which may be satisfactory to dietetic scientists, who would like to make us all live on nuts, but it has produced a definite effect on the output of heavy workers."

"We want meat in mince and foundries, and more cheese. Why should that gratify Lord Haw-Haw?"

"Will Lord Haw-Haw also bear in mind the statement of Mr. Hopkins the other day of the

intent of the United States to see that our people get food and to keep the sea lanes secure by which food can be brought.

### Great Arrangements

"I know the great arrangements that have been made to send us food in variety and more interesting qualities (cheers) so I do not think I need be told I am helping Lord Haw-Haw."

"If he never gets any more consolation than he gets from me (laughter) his luck will be as hard as his deserts."

"Every effort is being made to supplement food, and I share the hope of the Ministers of Food and Agriculture that our diet in 1942 will be more stimulating and energising than that of 1941."

"I wish it to be known all over the United States how encouraging is their action."

### Dilution And Dispersal

Mr. Churchill also referred to dilution.

He proceeded: "It is estimated that one-third more people are working on war industries than a year ago. Many of them are trainees and dilutees."

"It would not be wonderful if they failed to preserve the same level of output per pair of human hands than that achieved by skilled craftsmen a year or 18 months ago."

"Then there are the air raids, by which the Germans expected to smash our resisting powers. There were extraordinary blitzes at our ports and manufacturing centres, restrictions of the black-out, interruption and delays of transportation, which all played their delaying and dislocating part."

"The remedy and counter-measures, proposed and carried through when possible with such extreme vigour by the Supply Department, with Lord Beaverbrook, as Minister of Aircraft Production, in the van, took the form of dispersal."

"This is a matter of life and death to the aircraft industry."

### 45 Sub-Centres

"A great British firm was dispersed into 45 sub-centres. I can give instances of dispersion to 20, 30 or 40 sub-centres."

"All this was achieved at the cost of production but it has placed us in a position, when we paid the cost, where we are immune from mortal damage to our aircraft production and in other branches of munitions from enemy air raids."

"Workpeople may have to be moved from their homes, plant may have to be shifted, and domestic affairs have somehow to be adjusted, often at great sacrifice or hardship."

"It is a marvel what has been done to overcome these grievous and novel difficulties. (Cheers)."

"DESPITE ALL TROUBLES THE MINISTRY OF SUPPLY OUTPUT IN THE LAST THREE MONTHS HAS BEEN ONE-THIRD GREATER THAN IN THE THREE MONTHS OF THE DUNKIRK PERIOD."

"Although our Army, Navy and Air Force are larger, the Ministry have one-third more people working in factories and despite the dislocation of black-outs, dispersion and so on, each man is turning out on the whole each day as much as he did in

that time of almost superhuman effort.

### Cancelled Out

"It may be said that one-third more workers and one-third more output is quits. But it has to be remembered that all adverse factors have been cancelled out."

"We made in the last three months more than twice the field-guns that we made in the Dunkirk period. Munitions are half as much again."

"The combined programme of Merchant and Navy shipbuilding now in active progress is bigger than in any period of the last war although work now is immeasurably more complex than then."

"In aircraft it is foolish to calculate by numbers of machines because of the difference of time in man-hours needed to produce them."

"But the increase, even above the first period of a year ago, is substantial. The increase since this Government took office is enormous."

"I should be proud to tell the House but I am not going to do so because the enemy does not tell us their figures, which we would like to have."

### Spurred On

"You must be content with my assurance that progress and expansion on a great scale are continuous and are remorselessly spurred on."

"This has been accomplished under the fire of the enemy and under air assault which Hitler was led to believe would shatter our industry and reduce us to subjection."

"It has been done in spite of the difficulties of dispersion. It has been done without the sacrifice of quality and has gained both actually and relatively."

"Now air battles are developing again in scale and intensity, we can claim that our fighters are at least as much ahead of the enemy as when we defeated him a year ago."

### Bombing Power

"As to bombers—British production alone, without taking into account American—we have doubled our power of bomb discharge on Germany at 1,500 miles range."

"In the next three months, taking in American reinforcement, we shall double it again, and in the next six months after that we shall redouble it."

"We have ploughed up the land and by the grace of God we have been granted the greatest harvest in living memory, perhaps the greatest harvest ever known."

"We lost much equipment on the beaches of Dunkirk. Our food is rationed, our meat reduced. We have been bombed and blacked-out."

"BUT EVEN IN THIS SEVENTH QUARTER OF THE WAR OUR TOTAL OUTPUT OF WARLIKE STORES HAS BEEN NEARLY TWICE AS GREAT AS THE OUTPUT IN THE CORRESPONDING SEVENTH QUARTER OF THE LAST WAR, AND HAS EQUALLED OUR OUTPUT IN THE FOURTEENTH, OR CULMINATING PEAK QUARTER, OF THE LAST WAR."

### An Achievement

"When our new factories become available and when the Minister of Labour has completed his task of collecting workers from unessential industries, we must produce more, but to reach a level in two years which was only reached in the fourth year of the last war, is an achievement which deserves something better than flouts and jeers. (Cheers)."

"WE ARE TOLD HOW BADLY LABOUR IS BEHAVING FROM A NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO NEVER DID A DAY'S WORK IN THEIR LIVES. (LAUGHTER AND CHEERS)."

### HITLER'S STAR ON THE WANE

Speaking on a nationwide hook-up, the National Broadcasting Corporation commentator, Kaltenborn, declared: "In the past six weeks Hitler has done his best and has shown his best, and from now on he is a declining star."

—Reuter.

"We had many devastating stoppages and strikes in the last war. In the last two years of it nearly 12 million days were lost through labour disputes."

"During the whole course of this war—23 months—we have lost less than two million days."

"I am anxious to have the latest intelligence. I received information a few minutes before I began to speak that there was no stoppage of work of any kind arising from a trade dispute in any part of Great Britain."

### Serious Warning

"When I look on the whole tumultuous scene of this ever-widening war I think it my duty to give a serious warning to the House and country to be on guard equally against pessimism and against optimism."

"There are no doubt temptations to optimism. It is a fact that mighty Russia, so thoroughly and treacherously assaulted, has struck back with such magnificent strength and courage and brought a prodigious and well-deserved slaughter on the Nazi armies."

"The United States, the greatest single power, is giving us aid on a gigantic scale and is advancing in rising wrath to the very verge of war."

"It is a fact that German air superiority has been broken and air attacks on this country for the time being have almost ceased."

### Battle Of Atlantic

"It is a fact that the Battle of the Atlantic, although far from being won, is partly from American intervention, moving progressively in our favour."

"It is a fact that the Nile Valley is so much safer than two or three months ago."

"It is a fact that the enemy has lost his pretence of theme and doctrine and has sunk even deeper in moral and intellectual degradation and bankruptcy: that almost all his conquests have proved burdens and worse."

"ALL THIS MASSIVE TOWERING OF FACTS, ON WHICH WE ARE ENTITLED TO DWELL, MUST NOT LEAD US FOR A MOMENT TO SUPPOSE THAT THE WORST IS OVER."

"The formidable power of Nazi Germany, the vast destructive munitions they have made or captured, the skill and ruthlessness of their centralised war direction, the prostrate conditions of so many peoples under their yoke, the resources of so many lands which will be made to some extent available to them—all these restrain rejoicing and forbid the slightest relaxation."

### Invasion Season

"It would be madness to suppose that Russia or the United States are going to win this war for us."

"The invasion season is at hand. All the armed forces have been warned to be at concert pitch at September 1 and to retain the utmost vigilance, meanwhile."

"WE HAVE TO RECKON WITH A GAMBLER'S DESPERATION. YET WE STAND HERE, STILL THE CHAMPION. If we fall, all fall, and if we fall, all fall together. It is only by a superb, intense and prolonged

## SOUTH AFRICANS WARNED

All avoidable public and private spending should be avoided and discouraged, Mr. J. H. Hofmeyer, Union Minister for Finance, told South Africans in a speech at Johannesburg yesterday.

Although there was nothing inflationary about the Union's increased note issue since the outbreak of war, which went naturally with increased business activity, there was more money available for spending than was required to finance the production and transfer of available goods, he said.

Mr. Hofmeyer appealed to individuals to exercise rigid economy especially in the purchase of imported goods, to seek cheap substitutes for high priced articles and to abstain from the purchase of fixed property at inflated prices.

He foreshadowed steps to control profiteering and the enforcement of price control. — Reuter.

## AGGRESSIVE PATROLS

AS LOCAL CONDITIONS WERE UNFAVOURABLE OUR OFFENSIVE PATROLS FROM TOBRUK CARRIED OUT ONLY LIMITED OPERATIONS DURING THE NIGHT OF JULY 27/28, SAYS YESTERDAY'S CAIRO COMMUNIQUE.

"In the frontier area, as a result of our aggressive activities, enemy counter-patrolling has temporarily increased both in numbers and in the areas covered."

In one successful clash on Monday one of our patrols captured some German prisoners together with two mechanical transport vehicles and two motorcycles. — Reuter.

## C.N.A.C. FARES

The China National Aviation Corporation and the Eurasia Aviation Corporation, it is learnt, have obtained permission to charge a 50 per cent. increase in fares on the Chungking-Hong Kong, Chungking-Kunming, Chungking-Lashio, Chungking-Rangoon and Kunming-Rangoon runs, beginning from August 1. The Chungking-Kweilin and the Chungking-Chengtu fares remain unchanged, and it is learned that no decision has been made regarding the fares for passengers coming to China from Hong Kong or Rangoon. — Central News.

ed effort of the whole British Empire that that great combination of about three-quarters of the human race against Nazism will come into vehement and dynamic life.

### Utmost Endeavour

"For more than a year we have been all alone: all alone have had to guard the treasure of mankind."

"Although there may be profound and encouraging changes in the situation our own final and commanding responsibilities remain undiminished, and we shall only discharge them by continuing to pour out in the common cause the utmost endeavours of our strength and virtue, and it need be, to proffer the last drop of our heart's blood." (Loud cheers). — Reuter.



# Depth Charges By American Destroyer Off Greenland

## COL. KNOX'S DISCLOSURE

A U.S. SENATE NAVAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE REPORT, RELEASED IN WASHINGTON YESTERDAY, MADE A DRAMATIC REVELATION.

It quoted the Navy Secretary, Col. Frank Knox, as testifying that the captain of a United States destroyer dropped three depth charges off the coast of Greenland, believing he was in possible danger of attack from a submarine.

Col. Knox's testimony was contained in a report by the Committee, which recommended that no further investigation should be made of newspaper reports of "shooting" by American naval units in the Atlantic and of the conveying of British merchantmen.

"One U.S. destroyer operating off Greenland heard the S.O.S. of a steamer, proceeded to the location and picked up 60 of the survivors of the steamer."

Col. Knox is quoted as saying, "While engaged in this act of mercy, the operator of the listening equipment reported to the captain that he thought he heard a submerged submarine."

"The captain immediately turned towards the direction indicated and dropped three depth charges."

### Self-Preservation

"In doing this he very prudently exercised the right of self-preservation, for had there been a submarine there, his destroyer might have been sunk."

"There was no other evidence that the submarine was there and it is quite possible no submarine was there."

"THE LISTENING EQUIPMENT ECHO MIGHT HAVE BEEN RECEIVED FROM A WHALE OR LARGE FISH OR A COLD CURRENT INSTEAD OF A SUBMARINE—SOMETHING WHICH IS FREQUENTLY EXPERIENCED."

"None of them knew whether there was a submarine there or not but the man in command did what any man would do on the verge of attack by a submarine. He would do it in self-defence."—Reuter.

## BATTLE OF ATLANTIC

DISCUSSIONS WHICH MAY HAVE FAR-REACHING EFFECTS UPON THE MANY ASPECTS OF THE BATTLE OF THE ATLANTIC HAVE BEEN COMPLETED BETWEEN THE BRITISH ADMIRALTY AND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CANADIAN NAVY DEPARTMENT. IT WAS AUTHORITATIVELY LEARNED IN LONDON YESTERDAY.

Canada plans to have a naval personnel totalling nearly 25,000 before the end of the year manning 250 vessels.

It is understood that complete agreement was reached on all points.—Reuter.

## CAIRO AIR ALARM

AIR ALARMS WERE SOUNDED IN CAIRO AND MOST OF THE DELTA PROVINCES IN THE EARLY HOURS OF YESTERDAY MORNING STATES AN OFFICIAL CAIRO COMMUNIQUE.

Cairo's A.A. defences were in action.

Three bombs fell in one of the provinces and in the desert but there were no casualties or damage.—Reuter.

## AMERICAN DESTROYER'S DEPTH CHARGES

A U.S. Senate Naval Affairs Committee report, released yesterday, declared: "The Secretary of Navy, Col. Frank Knox, testifying, said a United States destroyer dropped three depth charges off the coast of Greenland when it believed it was in possible danger of attack."—Reuter.

## ANKARA PLEDGE RUMOURS

There are persistent rumours in diplomatic circles in Ankara that the Soviet Union will give Turkey a renewed assurance that Russia has no ambitious or aspirations regarding any position on Turkish territory.

Rumours add that the assurances will take the form of a personal letter from Stalin to President Inonu.

Any such development will do much to improve Soviet-Turkish relations, removing the suspicions created by Hitler and Ribbentrop.

Further, a rapprochement between the Soviet Union and Turkey would tend to strengthen Turkey's strategic position, enabling her to give undivided attention to defending herself in the West.

Turkish and Soviet official sources, however, both deny any knowledge of such a move.—Reuter.

## ALLEGED PRIVILEGES

MR. DUNCAN SANDYS, THE NEW FINANCIAL SECRETARY TO THE WAR OFFICE, WAS ASKED IN THE COMMONS YESTERDAY WHY ITALIAN OFFICERS AMONG ITALIAN WAR PRISONERS WERE BEING RELEASED TO ATTEND SOCIAL FUNCTIONS IN CAIRO AND IF HE WOULD STOP IT



A tug-of-war with a piece of wreckage when clearing debris from a wrecked building in London.

## SUSPENSION OF RELATIONS WITH FINLAND

NORMAL DIPLOMATIC conditions between Finland and Britain have actually been suspended, says a Finnish Foreign Office statement in Helsinki yesterday.

According to the Finnish Foreign Office, when the Finnish aide memoire was handed on Monday to the British Minister, Mr. Vereker, the Finnish Foreign Minister, M. Witting, further intimated that as a result of the total blockade imposed on Finland's foreign trade since June, normal diplomatic conditions between Finland and Britain had actually been suspended.

Conditions had compelled Finland to join Germany as a co-belligerent while Britain had concluded a military alliance with Russia.

In view of these facts normal diplomatic relations could scarcely be maintained without complications.

This opinion was evidently shared by Britain, judging from the recent statement in the Commons that relations could be broken off at any time.

On the strength of these conditions, Finland decided that the Finnish Legation in London should suspend its activities and would be grateful to know whether the British held the same views in relation to the British Legation's activities in Helsinki.—Reuter.

### Assets To Be Frozen

[SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"]

It is expected in London that Britain will freeze Finnish assets as a sequel to the Finnish sever-

AT ONCE

Mr. Sandys said that if Mr. Mander (the questioner) would give him particulars, he would look into the matter.

Mr. Sandys added that Italian prisoners, including the Duke of Aosta, were given no special facilities other than available for German prisoners although there were minor differences depending on privileges allowed to British prisoners in Germany and Italy.—Reuter.

## POSITION EXPLAINED

IT WAS MADE CLEAR THIS MORNING THAT THERE IS NO CONNECTION BETWEEN LANE, CRAWFORD, LIMITED, HONG KONG, AND THE FIRM MENTIONED IN THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT'S FREEZING ORDER.

The company referred to in that order is Lane, Crawford Company, of Kobe. This concern was originally a branch of Hong Kong, which established branches in Shanghai, Yokohama and Kobe during the period 1850-1905. These branches were sold to other interests many years ago and have now no connection with Lane, Crawford, Limited, Hong Kong.

## PRICE CONTROL IN UNITED STATES

President Roosevelt to-day will ask Congress to agree to price control legislation, according to Congressional leaders after a conference with the President yesterday, says Reuter from Washington.

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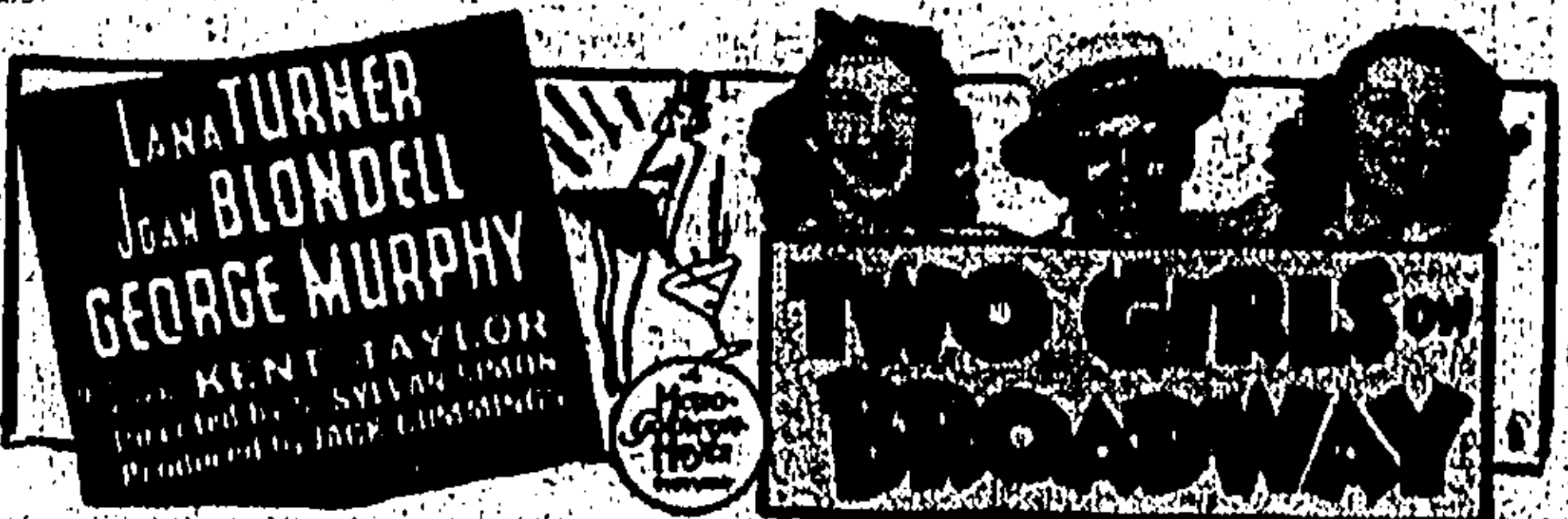
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# R.A.F. PLAYS HAVOC WITH ITALIAN AIR FORCE IN SICILY

LAST NIGHT'S R.A.F. Middle East communique in Cairo stated that highly successful attacks were carried out on Monday by R.A.F. aircraft on enemy aerodromes in the island of Sicily.

Thirty-four enemy aircraft of various types were destroyed. Many others were damaged and a number of casualties were inflicted on aerodrome personnel during the operations, which were carried out by our aircraft without loss to themselves.

## German Protest To U.S.

[SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"]

The Wilhelmstrasse yesterday charged the U.S. Government with stealing German diplomatic pouches in South America and turning them over to the Argentine Government.

Germany has protested to Buenos Aires and demanded the return of the pouches, said to have been taken from an air-liner from Peru.

Official Berlin quarters said German newspapers would soon publish an expose of the methods of "American imperialism in South America which is strangling the continent."—International News Service.

## FACTORY FINES

THE MISTRESS OF THE YUET WAH LEATHER GOODS FACTORY, NO. 72, PRINCE EDWARD ROAD, WAS FINED \$400 BY MR. H. C. MACNAMARA AT KOWLOON THIS MORNING FOR OPERATING AN UNREGISTERED FACTORY AND FOR EMPLOYING WOMEN WORKERS IN PROHIBITED HOURS.

Inspector Ng Shui-tong, stated that at 4.45 a.m. on June 28 he found eight women working in the factory, which was not registered.

For operating an unregistered factory at N. 3, Chik Yeun Road on July 2, the manager of the Yau Yan Knitting Factory, was fined \$200, while a similar fine was imposed on the manager of the Fuk Tsun Knitting Factory, No. 20, Fuk Wah Street, for employing 29 women in prohibited hours on July 3.

## ANOTHER RAID ON CHUNGKING

One of four batches of Japanese planes which raided Szechwan yesterday penetrated Chungking from Tseluching and bombed the business district. The raiders were kept at a high altitude by anti-aircraft fire. The all-clear signal was given at 4 p.m.

Casualties are reported to be slight, about 20 being wounded. —Central News.

At Catania, four Macchi 200's, six S79's and one Junkers 52 were destroyed. Several Macchi fighters and trainer biplanes were also damaged.

At Syracuse, seven Cant Z501 (flyingboats) were destroyed and a number of the same type damaged.

At Marsala, on the western extremity of the island, seven Cant Z501's were destroyed and a number of others damaged; at Borizzo landing ground, near Trapani, nine S79's were destroyed and about 25 of the landing ground staff killed by the attack.

### Benghazi Raid

R.A.F. bombers attacked a loaded schooner in the central Mediterranean on Monday and left it in a sinking condition.

Heavy bombers again attacked Benghazi harbour during the night of July 27/28. Bombs were dropped from a low altitude and caused fires and explosions on the mole.

From all these operations our aircraft returned safely.—Reuter.

## PETROL RATIONING IN INDIA

A scheme for the rationing of petrol in India will be inaugurated by the Government early in August, according to information reaching Bombay circles, says Reuter.

## BRITAIN'S SECRET

DOROTHY THOMPSON, WRITING IN THE NEW YORK "POST," SAYS: "I HAVE NOT SEEN A SULLEN FACE AND I HAVE NOT HEARD AN ANGRY WORD SINCE MY ARRIVAL IN ENGLAND."

"From what depths do these people draw their inexhaustible reserve of nerves?"

"There is no stridency. Nobody brags but everybody is proud in a secret way."

"That's it—these people have the secret. Loving England, they have utterly lost fear."

"Don't try to break these people, Germans. You'll break your weapons and your hearts." —Reuter.

# MATAPAN BATTLE AWARDS TO NAVAL OFFICERS

MANY OFFICERS and men of the Formidable, one of Britain's newest aircraft-carriers, and of the battleship Warspite, are named in a supplement to last night's "London Gazette" for their part in the great victory over the Italian fleet off Cape Matapan — the greatest naval victory of the war.

Commander Charles Graham Thompson becomes Officer of the Military Division of the Order of the British Empire.

## SHANGHAI FEARS

CONSIDERABLE APPREHENSION HAS BEEN AROUSED IN SHANGHAI OVER RUMOURS THAT THE JAPANESE PLAN TO SEIZE THE INTERNATIONAL SETTLEMENT AS A MEASURE OF RETALIATION TO THE FREEZING OF JAPANESE ASSETS.

It is suggested that the reason the Japanese did not seize the Settlement long ago was that the Settlement was a principal source of foreign exchange for them. The Japanese method of acquiring foreign currency was to use worthless military notes to buy Chinese National Currency and then convert the latter into foreign exchange.

Now, with the freezing of Japanese assets and the virtual stoppage of trade, the Japanese cannot take advantage of Shang-

Awards to officers and men of Formidable include the D.S.O. to Lt.-Comdr. Wilfred Henry Gerald Saint, D.S.O., and to Lt.-Comdr. John Dalwell Stead.

Ten officers receive the D.S.C., five D.S.M.'s are awarded and 38 officers and men are mentioned in despatches.

Capt. Henry Aubrey Rowley, of H.M.S. Gloucester, and Comdr. Geoffrey Barnard, of Warspite, receive the D.S.O., and Lt.-Comdr. Arthur Seymour Bolt, of Warspite, receives a bar to the D.S.C.

Seven other D.S.C.'s are awarded to officers of Warspite, Barham, Valiant and Havoc, and there are seven D.S.M.'s.

Officers and men of these and other warships are among those mentioned in despatches. —Reuter.

Italy's special position and therefore, it is rumoured, that they may seize it as a retaliatory move against America. —Central News.



MUTT AND JEFF

By BUD FISHER



# Formidable Barrier To Aggression

THE FOREIGN-SECRETARY, Mr. Anthony Eden, speaking in London yesterday, said: "Four great communities are moving ever closer together in their determination to withstand the common menace of Hitler and of any who works for him. The U.S.S.R., China, the U.S.A. and the British Empire are surely pretty formidable obstacles to aggression."

"It may be this sense of events to come which is causing a new note to creep into Hitler propaganda, covertly for the present, but we may be sure, more openly later on. Hitler has broken countless promises. He has betrayed in turn every nation to which he has given pledges."

"But now for the first time there is a change. Now he is trying desperately to keep a promise. "It is a promise he has made to the German people—a promise that the war shall end this year in a victorious German peace. "In an attempt to fulfil it Hitler has embarked upon the Russian campaign."

"Hitler's timetable is plainly already out of joint. The Russians are putting up a magnificent resistance which clearly exceeds German calculations and many other calculations also." Mr. Eden added that a "peace blitz" would soon be hurled at the Allies and repeated the assurance that the British Government was

not prepared to negotiate with Hitler at any time on any subject.

The offer of a compromise peace would be a monument of moderation and sweet reasonableness—and hypocrisy.

"Every nation would have to remain at war stations so as not to be caught unawares by a sudden attack launched without warning."

## Could Never Relax

"We could never demobilise, we could never relax war preparations and war restrictions, the fortifications round our coasts could not be removed, our factories would have to continue to manufacture munitions of war to keep up with those which Hitler would be piling up in secret for the next war—the next bid for world domination."

"Hitler is not a rare and transient phenomenon in German history, he is a symptom. He is an expression of the present German will and temper which has shown itself over and over again in German history."

"If we are to have peace in our lifetime the German people must learn to unlearn all they have been taught not only by Hitler but by his predecessors for the last hundred years. "They can never even start to do this until Hitler the great war-maker has been exposed as a fraud and deposed as a failure."

## Shape Of Things To Come

Speaking of the future, Mr. Eden said that although military measures were essential, it was not part of the British purpose to cause Germany or any other country to collapse economically.

He said that not out of any love for Germany but because a starving and bankrupt Germany in the midst of Europe would poison all her neighbours.

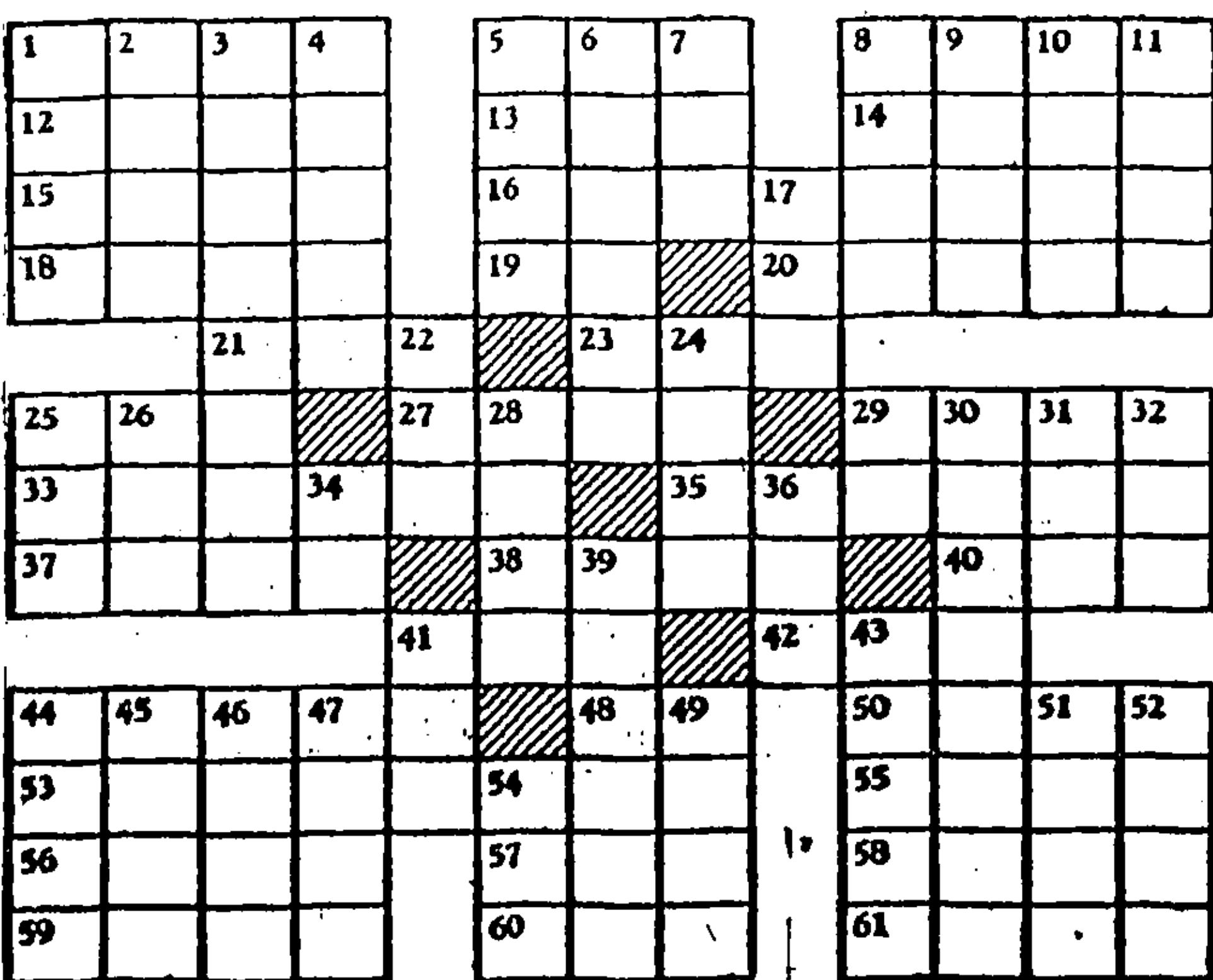
"While keeping watch and ward it will be our duty to start at once upon the fashioning of the world in such shape that causes of rivalry and hatred may be gradually removed and, we pray, eventually eradicated."

"We are already beginning to formulate our own ideas on the shape of things to come and in one sense we are truly fortunate."

"Here in London are the Governments of many Allied powers. They form an invaluable nucleus for the work we have to do. We are already meeting and discussing our problems, though not always publicly."

"IF WE CAN LOOK FORWARD IN ALL THIS WORK TO THE SYMPATHY AND CO-OPERATION OF THE U.S.A. AND INDEED, THE AMERICAN CONTINENT AS A WHOLE, THEN WE CAN FEEL THAT WE ARE BUILDING ON A SOLID FOUNDATION."—BRITISH WIRELESS.

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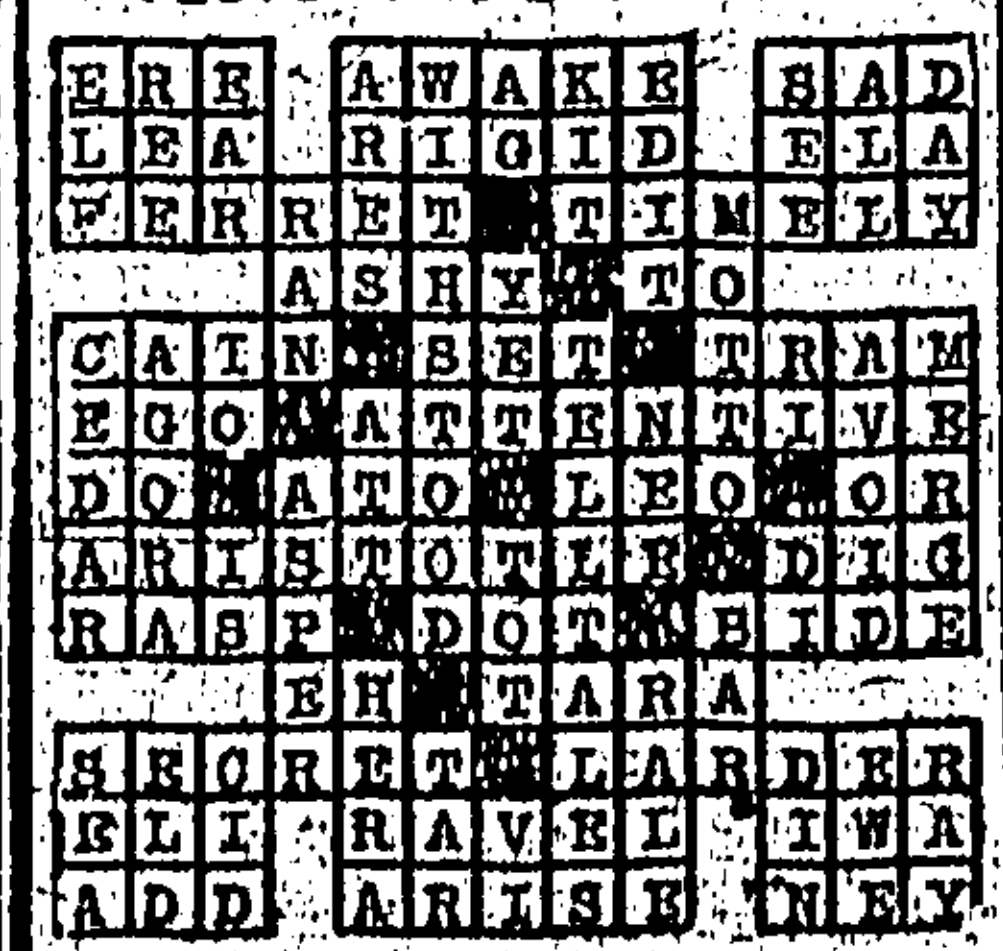
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- 1 To match
  - 5 Constellation
  - 8 Lone
  - 12 Girl's name
  - 13 Brown
  - 14 Paradise
  - 15 Hindu deity
  - 16 One who hopes for the best
  - 18 Winter vehicle
  - 19 Musical note
  - 20 To wash
  - 21 Doctrine
  - 23 First woman
  - 25 Ovary
  - 27 European country
  - 29 Moon goddess
  - 33 To have residence
  - 35 Oral
  - 37 Part of "to be"
  - 38 Worthless
  - 40 Swiss canton
  - 41 Anglo-Saxon money
  - 42 Sick
  - 44 Part of coat
  - 48 Symbol for iron

- 50 Greek mythological character
- 53 To floor
- 55 Winged
- 56 Moslem tribesman
- 57 By
- 58 Nothing but
- 59 Once more
- 60 Attempt
- 61 On the ocean

- VERTICAL**
- 1 To spend
  - 2 Dye plant
  - 3 To lead astray
  - 4 Peruses
  - 5 Small particle
  - 6 Sword
  - 7 Insect
  - 8 Prefix: half

- 9 Norse god
- 10 Minus
- 11 Heraldic device
- 17 Anger
- 22 Males
- 24 Article of apparel
- 25 To recede
- 26 Teamster's cry
- 28 Russian name
- 29 Behold!
- 30 Musical instruments
- 31 Biblical name
- 32 Tropical bird
- 34 Preposition
- 36 Greek letter
- 39 Beam
- 41 Aged
- 43 Beast of burden
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- 45 Soon
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- 47 Poetic enough
- 48 Weird
- 51 To venture
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- 54 Likely

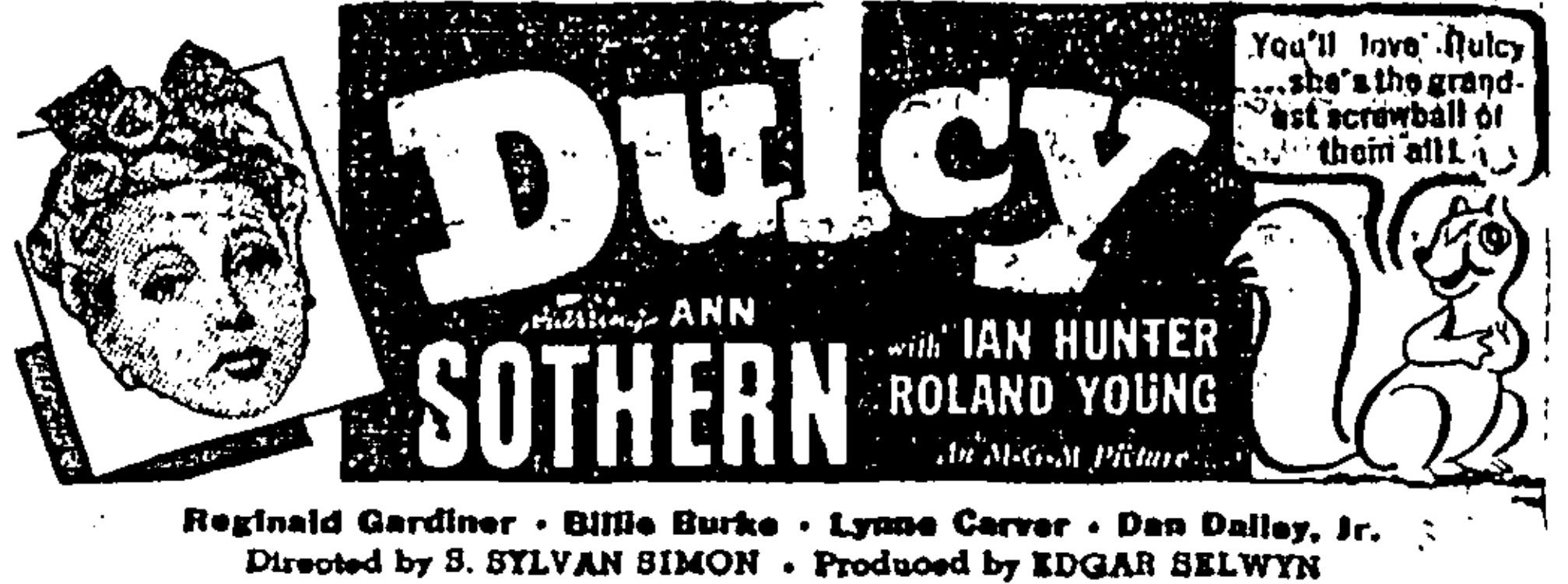
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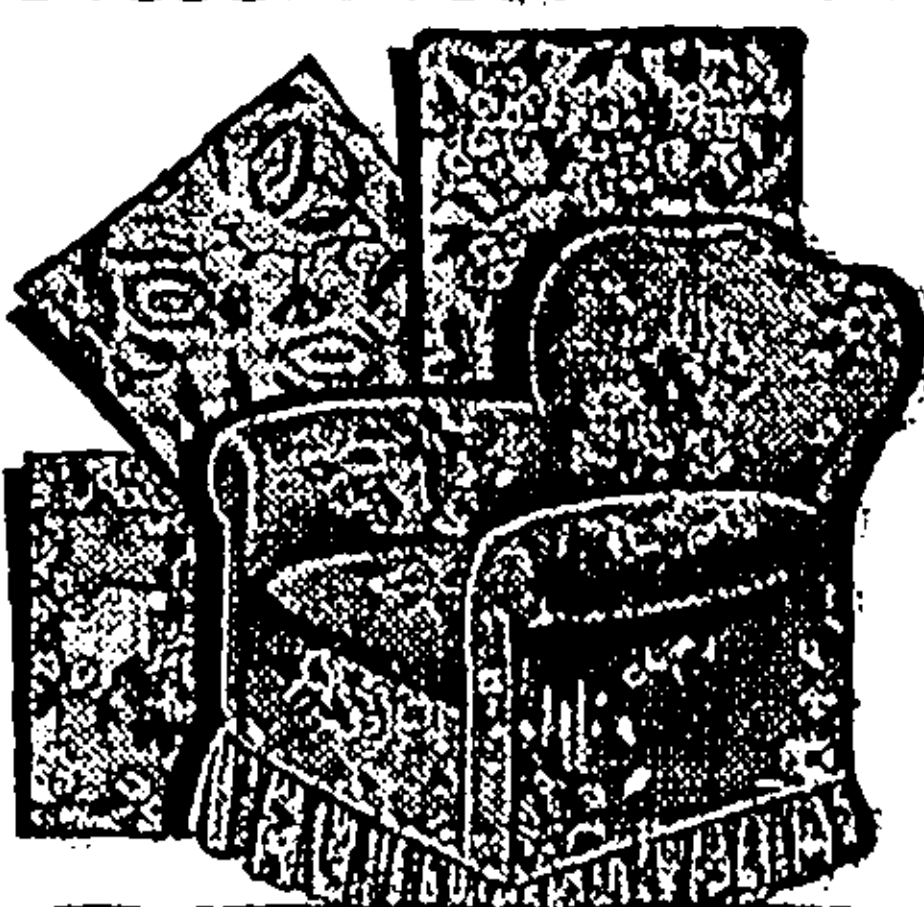
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# VICHY RESPONSIBLE FOR SURRENDER OF INDO-CHINA

(By Reuter's Special Correspondent At Hanoi)

WITH THE OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT THAT 40,000 JAPANESE TROOPS HAVE BEGUN LANDING IN SOUTHERN INDO-CHINA, AND THAT EIGHT AERODROMES ARE TO BE PLACED AT JAPAN'S DISPOSAL, IT IS NOW POSSIBLE TO GIVE AN ACCOUNT OF RECENT EVENTS AFFECTING THE FRENCH COLONY.

First thing that emerges is that the agreement originated and was concluded in direct negotiations between Vichy and Tokyo, only details of its application being discussed at Hanoi.

Mr. Osomatsu Kato, Japanese Ambassador to Vichy, and Admiral Darlan are said to have held their crucial meeting on July 19, the agreement being signed at Vichy last Tuesday.

Admiral Decoux, Vichy's Governor-General, saw Major-General Sumita, head of the Japanese military mission to Indo-China, three times before agreement was reached on its practical application.

Thereafter the Japanese moved fast while carefully guarded press announcements informed the Indo-China public of the trend of events. Major-General Sumita left Hanoi for Saigon by plane on Saturday, leaving only a skeleton staff representing the Japanese mission behind him.

### Naval Concessions

There has been no mention of naval concessions under the agreement but it is popularly supposed and not officially denied that the Japanese will be permitted to station a number of warships in Camboja, Saigon and Cochin.

Although Camboja is one of the finest natural harbours in the world, its port facilities are restricted.

Frequent references to the "joint defence" of Indo-China and Japan, and the anti-British campaign raging in the press and radio in Hanoi for the last few days, seem to indicate where Indo-China stands, although it is emphasised that no threat is directed to any country.

### Saigon The Focus

Centre of interest now moves to Saigon and the surrounding area, where the new distribution of military forces involved in the "defence" of the colony is being worked out.

Simultaneously the boundary commission is completing details of the recent cession of territory, by Indo-China to Thailand and will hold discussions at Saigon.

Herr Neumann, former German Consul in Indo-China, arrived at Saigon yesterday to participate in the boundary commission's consultations.

It is emphasised at Hanoi that the facilities being granted to Japan in southern Indo-China are purely tactical as the terms of the economic agreement between Japan and Indo-China have been and are being faithfully observed.—Reuter.

## GERMANS PRAISE BRAVERY OF REDS

German newspaper readers, who previously had been without specific details of the operations against Russia, received a flood of feature stories about the fighting qualities of the Russian soldier.

"When cornered, he fights with the same tenacity as a trapped animal," wrote one propaganda company reporter. "He remains in a tank even while Germans are stacking explosives under it, because his officers have told him a tank is invulnerable."

"The Soviet infantry charges tanks as if something could be accomplished that way," this report continued. "They go like a flock of sheep to annihilation. The German soldier is witnessing something like collective destruction."

"The individual Russian soldier, though, is good in earthworks and skilful in taking advantage of terrain. He scorns death."

Another German reporter described a charge against machine-guns and artillery by Russian cavalrymen who, he said, ride without saddles, grenades in their hands and knives in their teeth. "A couple of rounds of artillery fire," he wrote, "finished this desperate exploit."

## NO LOVE IN HAY!

Don't make love in the hayfield. That was the gist of an appeal made one night by the Ministry of Agriculture to Whitsun holiday makers.

The land is the farmer's workshop.

On a recent Sunday a man was found about to back his car into a field of oats.

Nearly young people who had cycled from a large town had settled themselves snugly in a field shut up for hay, some in the middle of it.

Remember that grass is just as important a crop as corn.

Grass and the corn represent, among other things, the nation's milk for next winter.

## ANTI-SPITTING FINES IN KOWLOON

Spitting in the street cost three Chinese \$15 at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

They were each fined \$5 by Mr. H. C. Macnamara. The offences occurred in the Shamshuipo District where the men were arrested by Chinese constables.

## AMERICA'S BLACK- LIST

The United States has issued a list of 1,834 persons trading in Latin America, said Mr. Hugh Dalton, Minister of Economic Warfare, in the House of Commons yesterday.

Mr. Dalton was replying to a question as to what extent progress had been made as between Britain and the U.S. in producing a black-list of traders.

The majority of these traders, continued Mr. Dalton, also appeared in the British statutory list.

He was consulting the U.S. Government on co-ordination of the two lists.

Cheers greeted Mr. Dalton when he added: "This new departure will be of the greatest value to us in waging economic warfare, and I am sure the House will wish to join with me in welcoming this striking act of American cooperation."

Mr. Dalton replied in the affirmative when asked if consideration was now being given to the question of Japanese enemy trade.—Reuter.

## RUMOUR RIFE IN PEIPING

According to a report from Peiping, rumours are rife causing great uneasiness.

One report states that beginning from to-morrow, all foreign banks in Peiping will enforce control measures. The Yokohama Specie Bank has already suspended payments to American and British depositors.—Central News.

## NAVAL YACHT SUNK

H. M. yacht Viva II (Captain M. A. Blomfield, O.B.E., R.N.) has been sunk, the Admiralty announced.

## ENEMY AIR LOSSES

A total of 7,195 enemy planes have been destroyed since the outbreak of war to the end of June.

Of these, 37 were downed at sea, 3,508 over Britain, 324 in Europe, 50 in Scandinavia (Norway), 957 on the Western Front (to Dunkirk), 327 by the Royal Navy and 1,928 in the Middle East.

The above authentic figures, issued by the R.A.F., do not include planes damaged.—Reuter.



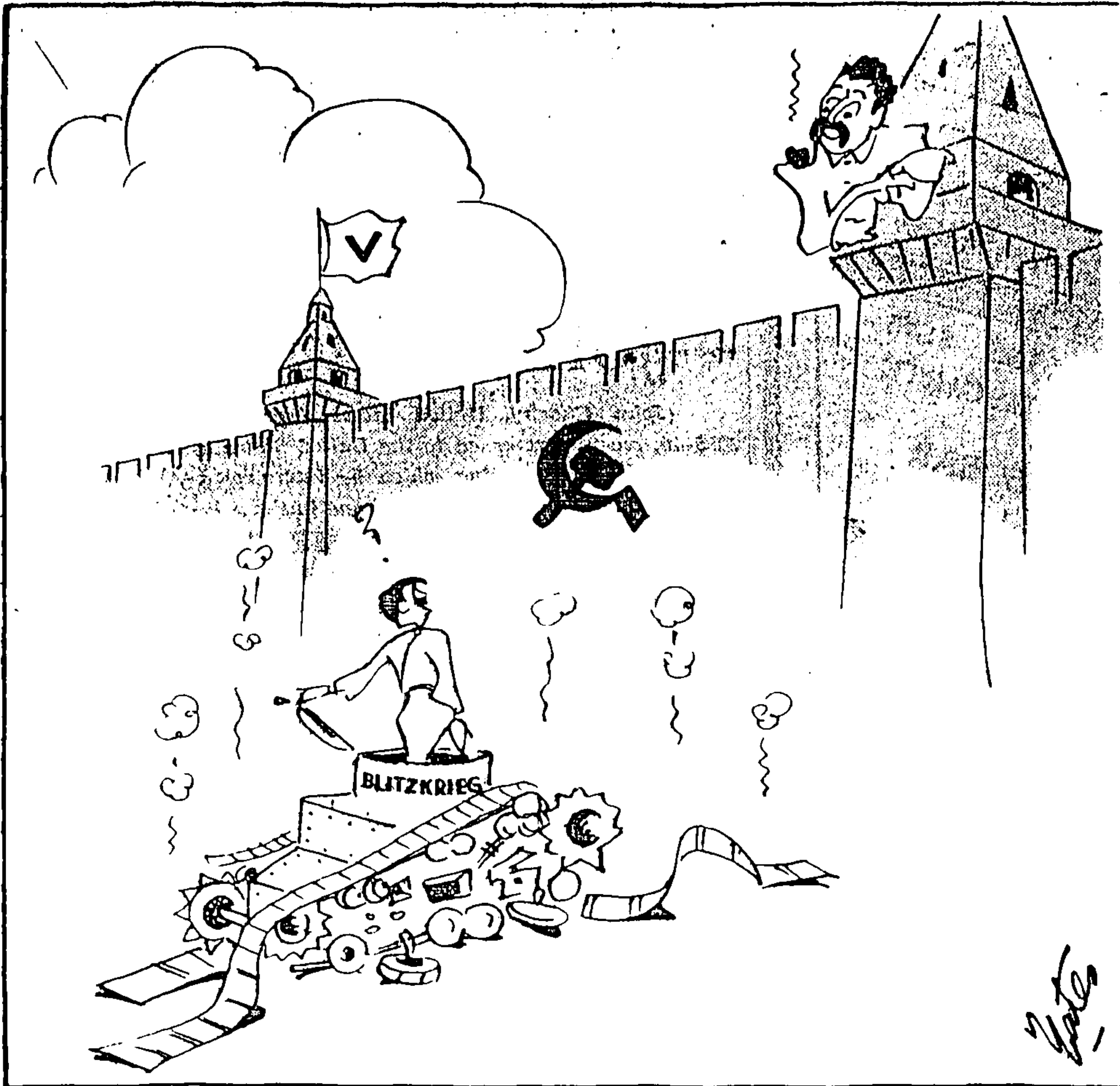
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## GERMANY TASTES REAL WAR

It does not make much difference whether the treaty concluded between Russia and Great Britain is technically known as a formal alliance or merely as an "association," "co-belligerency" or "joint action." The treaty in any case embodies what is really essential — an agreement for mutual assistance and an agreement by both parties not to make a separate peace.

If Hitler is to be defeated, he is obviously more likely to be defeated by collaboration on the part of his opponents than by its absence. If Russia has everything to stop Hitler's drive at some point but one element, and the British are able to supply that element, it would be folly to withhold it for mere ideological reasons. Perhaps what Britain can most quickly supply are strategists and technicians; and these have already begun to arrive. The moral gains on both sides are immediate. It has strengthened Russian morale to have this clear evidence of British help, it will bolster British morale to have a Russian promise, granted at this moment, not to make a separate peace. But whatever help the British give to Russia will doubtless be extended not on sentimental but on cold-blooded strategic grounds. It is a policy not of "aid Russia" but of "stop Hitler" that will have the widest British and American support.

On top of these successes the British are pounding Western Germany as never before. Regardless of the outcome in Russia, the Nazis beyond doubt are suffering very heavy casualties there. The German people themselves are at last beginning to taste the full horrors of war. For the first time since the war began, the Nazis lack air superiority over all occupied points. They are getting the kind of punishment with which they have so often threatened others. They can no longer bully the rest of the world with impunity. They may yet win in Russia, after greater sacrifices than they had counted upon. But the conquest of Britain now seems more remote than at any time in the last twelve months; and American aid to Britain has increased from a trickle to an ever-broadening stream.



TROJAN HORSE—SLIGHTLY SHOPSOILED

# Victoria Would Be Surprised

When war came to Britain in September, 1939, the women of England were not wholly unprepared. As far back as a year and a half before the outbreak they had heard the premonitory rumblings. Out of their awareness was born the Women's Voluntary Services, with a present enrollment of close to a million. Also there is the Housewife's Service, numbering a quarter of a million, which cooperates with two million women in neighbourhood defence. Their story goes like this:

"What the government needs is a maid-of-all-work," said Sir Samuel Hoare, the Home Secretary, as war clouds gathered in Europe. "And who but women can provide that service?"

He called Lady Reading, widow of the one-time Viceroy of India, to discuss the recruiting of women for civil defence. That was in May, 1938. All that he really expected to get out of the meeting was the cooperation of women with the Air-Raid Precautions movement which was sweeping the country at that time.

"Now if bombs should fall, don't you think it would be a good idea to have women instruct householders to protect themselves and the community?" he asked Lady Reading. "And don't you think that women should take jobs in the Air-Raid Precautions Services in their own local districts?"

Lady Reading agreed. It was an excellent plan — in fact it was so good that the organisation came into being then and there with the weighty title of Women's Voluntary Services for Air-Raid Precautions.

When news of the founding of the organisation was made known it was as if a three-bell fire alarm had been rung throughout Britain solely for the ears of the women. The response was overwhelming. Inquiries flooded the headquarters in London. Affiliation with only the Air-Raid Precautions limited the duties of these women to work in first-aid posts, auxiliary fire services, report points and at ambulance driving. It wasn't enough. The women asked for more work to do — a variety of work, any kind of work. They wished to serve their country.

"What can I do about national defence?"

"Where do I go to take a course in first aid?"

"Do you give lessons in home nursing?"

"May I run a canteen?"

In Tothill Street, a stone's throw from the Houses of Parliament, where the W. V. S. established headquarters, these questions were answered a thousand times a day.

With the local authorities, the Borough Councils and the government, the women consulted for days on end. Schools, offices and factories organised their own groups to give immediate training. Lessor were given in fire-fighting, first aid, home nursing, ambulance driving and A.R.P. work all over Britain. Draft lectures and memoranda kept

**By Helen  
Cumming**

pace with the rapidly changing conditions. The organisation grew with every emergency and produced a limitless supply of competent women who were willing, without acknowledgment or pay, to give help in any part of the country where it was needed.

What England got out of that meeting was — more than a maid-of-all-work — a wife. Who but a wife could cook, nurse, sew, wash dishes, knit, drive ambulances, manage clothing depots, run canteens — mobile and stationary ones — scrub children, hunt billets, evacuate children and old people from untenable areas? Who but a wife could advise the government how to spend money to the best advantage? As the scope of the work increased the name of the organisation was changed to Women's Voluntary Services for Civil Defence. Abbreviated to W.V.S., that name has stuck.

When the government divided England, Scotland and Wales into thirteen regions, each of which was provided with a nucleus government in case of breakdown of communications, the commissioner in charge was given, as his opposite number, a W.V.S. regional administrator.

Under each regional administrator are opposite numbers in each of the local authorities — the chain extending from County Councils right down to village and even hamlet representatives. All are

local residents. The W.V.S. cooperates with the government and local authorities. It undertakes work only at their request or with their approval. A wife, every sense of the word! At the wedding of the government and the W.V.S. the word "obey" was left in the service.

The administrative staff of the W.V.S. all over Britain numbers about 3,500 members, and of all these women only sixty-seven are paid. The unpaid workers are treated the same as the paid ones. They hold a letter of appointment from the chairman providing that a month's notice be given either way. Nothing is left to chance and every worker possesses a keen sense of responsibility. Expenses for equipment, postage, heat and lighting in offices are paid by the government; and the W.V.S. has a purchasing department possessing a licence to buy "ex-quota."

Another branch of the W.V.S. which shies away from the domestic role is the committee that deals in shipping and in forwarding and dealing with goods sent from overseas for distribution. Lady Reading is personally responsible for overseas and purchasing departments, and it is she who deals directly with the American Red Cross. Five to eight boatloads of supplies leave American shores for England weekly. To date 369 ships bearing 910 consignments of clothing, boots, layettes and relief goods had been received and distributed — and that in spite of Hitler's U-boats. Only eleven cargoes had been lost.

Mushroom growth cannot be attributed to the W.V.S. From the original membership of five women to the present enrollment of almost a million the progress was gradual. The group works with an advisory council of representatives from over sixty women's organisations in the country — religious, political, professional, social — including Girl Guides and women's institutes.

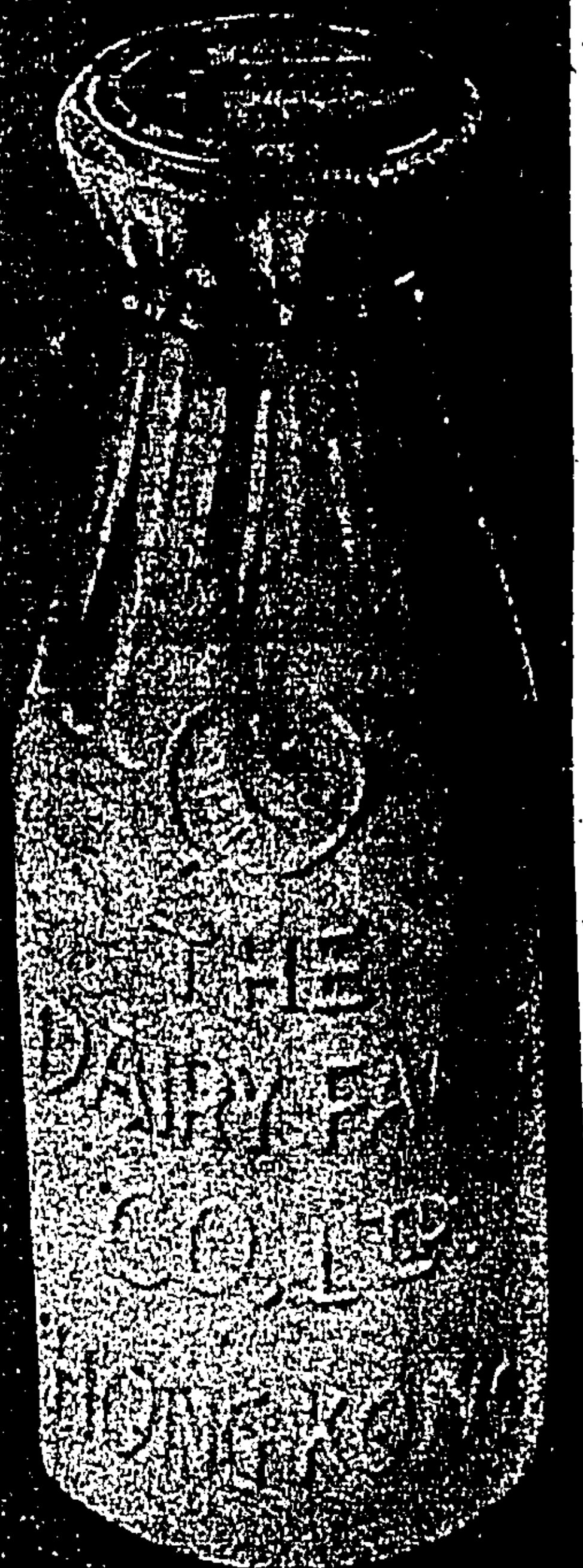
Nor can the W.V.S. be called part of the army. It is a civilian wartime organisation. It includes women who give all or part of their time to making themselves useful and alleviating distress. It has not a colonel or sergeant major. It has no drills, no salutes, no army discipline. It dispenses

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## UNITED STATES STRENGTH RECOGNISED

# "THE GERMANS FEAR US"

---John Cudahy

(John Cudahy, United States Ambassador to Belgium in 1939-40, recently returned to the United States after a three-month visit in Germany, during which he interviewed Adolf Hitler and many Germans high in the official and business life of that country).

AN ACCURATE STATEMENT is that America's formal entry into the war will have a profound depressing influence upon German public opinion. Our non-fighting belligerency is recognised and accepted by the German people generally, but that is far from active shooting participation.

The prestige of the United States is very great. It is known that we have never lost a war and never made a compromise peace, and the Germans fear that if we move into this conflict, we will move in for the knockout blow.

When I talked to Herr von Ribbentrop [Germany's Foreign Minister] he made no effort to disparage American military potentialities and the significant influence they might in time bring to bear upon the trend of conflict, but he expressed the opinion that modern warfare demanded such mechanised effort that we could not mobilise the force of America before it was too late, before Germany had gained crushing ascendancy that could never be over-taken.

The post-war generation of Germans do not feel the same apprehension about America, as they are ignorant of the war a generation ago. Their profound faith in their Fuehrer gives them a sanguine feeling that cannot be shaken. They are impressed by the unbroken success of the German Army fighting over nearly every conceivable terrain from the fjords of Norway to the Maginot Line and the mountainous going in Yugoslavia and Greece.

Hitler's undisputed, commanding eminence in Germany is illustrated by the Hess episode. Rudolf Hess, a man of education, was a tough rough-neck, a hard-hitting, two-fisted fighting man who stood by Hitler in the early days of the National Socialist movement.

I was in the Ber in Foreign Office when the Hess sensation broke and the effect was such panic-stricken consternation that a clumsy story was put out in the "Voelkischer Beobachter" that he was insane. It was twenty-four hours later before the Propaganda Ministry regained its composure enough to print the explanation of an unauthorised negotiated-peace mission.

The effect of the first story lingered among the people, who had a feeling of bewilderment and resentment against the government. Why, they asked, if Hess was insane, was he continued in a responsible position, and what kind of government was it that kept crazy men in office who might some-day rule?

Had not Hess been solemnly designated No. 3 by Hitler to succeed the Fuehrer after Reich Marshal Goering? What did the whole thing mean? people asked gloomily. They took a very black view. But, of course, no one thought of doing anything about it. Nor is it easy to see what action could have been taken if they had been minded to protest.

## Hitler's Prestige

Certainly, the prestige of Hitler was not affected. And if, as many people believe, the flight of Hess illustrates clashing interests, distrust and jealousy within National Socialist ranks, none of this touches Hitler. To-day, all observers agree, regardless of their wishes in the matter, that Hitler is Germany and Germany is Hitler.

Ever since the beginning of the National Socialist regime some of us had been hoping for an insurrection in Germany and an overthrow of Hitler. Months before the Blitzkrieg came to Belgium we followed eagerly a line of speculative evidence that indicated a breach between the Nazis and the army chiefs, who the story went, were convinced that Hitler was a wild, frenzied fanatic. But Count Jacques Davignon, Belgian Ambassador in Berlin, told me that such a hope, like so many hopes looking to German defeat, was based on delusion where the wish shied the thought.

"The German people will eat stones if need be," he said grimly. "They are united to a man back of Hitler, no matter where he leads them, no matter what happens to Germany."

The war is not popular. But that does not mean that the German people will not go through to the grim end and follow their Fuehrer, no matter how desperate the situation may become. I suppose a war referendum would have resulted 80 per cent. against, but now that the die has been cast, all Germany is prepared for a finish fight. The common attitude is negative rather than positive, with no sense of triumph or elation over the unbroken series of military successes.

## No Cheers For Victory

I was in the bar of the Eden Hotel, the swankiest spot in Berlin, when the announcement came over the radio of the capitulation of the Epirus army, which meant the end of Greece. But people seated at tables, drinking Rhine wine and a sloppy, almost kickless beer, recorded nothing. You might have thought they were listening to a weather report.

I was in Berlin after the fall of the Low Countries, when every house was, by order, decorated with Swastika flags. But beyond this display, there was no celebration. Not a note even of satisfaction. I was told the same thing was true after the fall of France. The attitude is negative, yet there is an unyielding determination to win.

So there is no chance of an insurrection under prevailing conditions, and one would have to recognise overwhelming defeat, crushing to German morale, before any movement for different leadership could be effected.

I came away from Berlin the last week of May, after a three-month stay. My notes record six air raids during that time. I lived at the Adlon Hotel, close by the Brandenburger Gate, on Unter den Linden. The attacks came in the first hours of the morning, usually a half-hour or so after midnight.

The most telling attack was made in April, when more than 100 incendiary bombs were dropped on Unter den Linden, twenty-three of them in the Pariser Platz in front of the hotel, where they lit up the scene with the lurid light of flaming torches. The old Opera House was completely gutted, the University Library wrecked and severe damage was inflicted upon three business buildings facing Unter den Linden.

## Great Damage

The common run of people in Germany stay strangely detached, as though they were indifferent spectators of this war, which will control their destiny and the destiny of unborn German generations. When the British sky raiders stayed until the early morning hours, I heard Germans say: "They must get going now, the light will be coming and they will get shot down." They said this with sincere solicitude.

And more curious was the occult on Frederichstrasse. It was the day after the big raid that knocked out the Opera House. "Those must have been American planes last night, they bombed us so well," he said, enthusiastically, as if he wished to share my pride in this American achievement that had rained hell upon his country.

## REMEMBERED HER FRIENDS

Mrs. Ethel A. Barton, of Hyde Park-place, Paddington, W., who left £93,501 14s., gave £1,500 to her chauffeur, William Pitkin, "who has always helped me," and £1,200 to cook Annie Morton, "another friend."

## POLISH GESTURE TO RUSSIA

SPEAKING AFTER MR. EDEN AT THE FOREIGN PRESS LUNCHEON IN LONDON YESTERDAY, THE POLISH PREMIER, GENERAL SIKORSKI, SAID MARTYRED POLAND, WHERE NOBODY COULD BE FOUND TO SUPPORT A POLICY OF COMPROMISE WITH GERMANY, WAS WHOLE-HEARTEDLY IN THE CAMP OF THE DEFENDERS OF FREEDOM OF THE WORLD.

General Sikorski continued: "The Polish nation firmly stands with the British and American Democracies and now will not hesitate to come to an agreement of collaboration with Russia on honourable and just terms."

"We are acting in accordance with the interests of the Polish raisons d'etat and are ready to assist everything which accelerates the victory which is certain."

## NAMES REMOVED FROM LIST

Forty-six names have been removed from the United States black-list of firms and agents in Latin-America acting on behalf of the Axis powers.

This was announced in Washington yesterday by Mr. Sumner Welles, Acting Secretary of State, who said further deletions and additions would be made from time to time on a basis of continuing study.

Mr. Welles simultaneously issued a formal statement saying that the chief effect of the black-list was "to deny the benefits of inter-American trade to persons who have hitherto been using large profits and finance for subversive activities aimed at undermining the peace and independence of the western hemisphere."—Reuter.

## BADLY BURNED

Badly burned when corrosive acid was thrown over his body, a 15-year-old Chinese lad was admitted to Kowloon Hospital yesterday. It is alleged that the acid was thrown by a 19-year-old youth who has been detained by the Police.

## THEFT FROM A.R.P. TUNNEL

An electric cable, some 150 yards in length, was stolen from the No. 5 A.R.P. Tunnel, Hung Hom, during Monday night.

It was very hard to understand. I never got to Hamburg, Bremen, or the Ruhr industrial section, but people who had seen the British air damage in these regions told me that it was far greater than that suffered by the capital. This was especially true of Hamburg and Bremen, where they said the docks had been smashed with great effect.



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# No Soft-Pedal On Programme Of Economic War

WHILE JAPANESE OCCUPATION OF MILITARY, NAVAL AND AIR BASES IN SOUTHERN INDO-CHINA IS PROCEEDING RAPIDLY TO TIME SCHEDULE, THERE HAS BEEN NO FURTHER IMPORTANT DEVELOPMENT IN THE FAR EAST SITUATION.

In Washington, however, it is anticipated that further steps may be announced with President Roosevelt's return to the White House, while Mr. Sumner Welles has repudiated the suggestion that economic sanctions against Japan might be watered down to meaninglessness.

The Acting Secretary of State, Mr. Sumner Welles, told his press conference in Washington yesterday the U.S. had given no assurance to Japan that licences would be issued to permit continued trading.

## JAPANESE SHIPS BANNED IN AUSTRALIA

Licences for Japanese ships to load at Australian ports have been withdrawn, according to shipping companies in Sydney, says Reuter.

Explaining that clearance would be given to Japanese ships leaving U.S. ports under present conditions, he said individual licences would be required for every transaction involving Japanese cargoes.

This also affected the purchase of food, fuel and any other goods required by Japanese ships in U.S. ports.

Asked whether Japan had been given an assurance that these licences would be issued, Mr. Welles emphatically declared no such promise had been given.

### N.E.I. Oil Position

Regarding Japanese reports of the abrogation of the 1940 Petroleum Agreement, it was authoritatively stated in Batavia yesterday that there is no such agreement.

A CERTAIN AGREEMENT WAS CONCLUDED BETWEEN THE OIL COMPANIES WHICH, HOWEVER, SINCE MONDAY LOST ITS EFFECT OWING TO THE DOLLAR PAYMENT CLAUSE.

### "Limited" Scope

The Franco-Japanese protocol providing the joint defence of Indo-China, recognises that a threat to Indo-China would endanger Japan and East Asia.

It renews earlier pledges to respect Indo-China sovereignty and to refrain from anti-Japanese involvements.

Both parties agree:

First, to a mutual promise of military cooperation in the joint defence of Indo-China.

Second, special arrangements for such cooperation.

Thirdly, these stipulations are valid only "so long as the situation which motivated their adoption exists."—Reuter.

### Camranh Bay

Japanese troops of occupation have begun to instal themselves at Camranh Bay, says a Reuter message from Saigon.

### Thousands Landing

[SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"] Thousands of Japanese troops are disembarking in southern Indo-China and are occupying eight bases.

Chief occupation is at Nha-trang, north of the Camranh base, while the Japanese are also taking over air and military bases at Saigon.

Japan has acquired the use of railways, roads and communications.—International News Service.

### Vichy Agreement

[SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"]

A Franco-Japanese protocol signed by Admiral Darlan, Vichy Vice-Premier, and the Japanese Ambassador to France, announced special arrangements for Japanese troop dispositions in Indo-China, "temporarily subject to prevailing circumstances."

The protocol says: "Japan is bound to regard the tranquillity of East Asia and Japan as endangered."

Vichy agrees to refrain from entering into political, military or economic agreements with third powers "directly or indirectly against Japan."—International News Service.

## U.S. SHIP BUILDING

IMPRESSIVE INCREASES ARE NOTED IN CURRENT SHIP CONSTRUCTION IN NORTH AMERICA AS COMPARED WITH THE VOLUME REPORTED A YEAR AGO, SAYS THE "SEATTLE TIMES."

For instance, 826 ships, with a total of 5,350,000 gross tons, were on the ways or under contract in American shipyards on June 1, 1941, as compared with 287 vessels of 1,528,260 gross tons on July 1, 1940.—Reuter.

### GAOL SENTENCE

A month's hard labour was imposed on 20-year-old Cheung Cheung, by Mr. H. C. Macnamara at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning for breaking into a bathing shed and stealing cutlery, valued at \$6.80, belonging to Mrs. Keila.

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## NAZI INTRIGUE EXPOSED

In connection with the seizure of pseudo-diplomatic parcels in Buenos Aires, Reuter learns that the text of the secret message found hidden in the German wireless transmitter is:—

"TO LA PAZ. IF IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO LEAVE LIMA YOU MUST OBEY STRICTLY ORDERS RECEIVED AT THE MEETING OF AMBASSADORS AT SANTIAGO."

The message was decoded by Argentine Army code experts.

It is recalled that the German Minister at La Paz last week was asked to leave Bolivia for his part in the plot to overthrow the Government.

Some months ago all German ambassadors and ministers in South America held a secret meeting at Santiago which it is believed was held in connection with a uniform policy throughout South America.—Reuter.

## NAZI AIR CHIEF KILLED

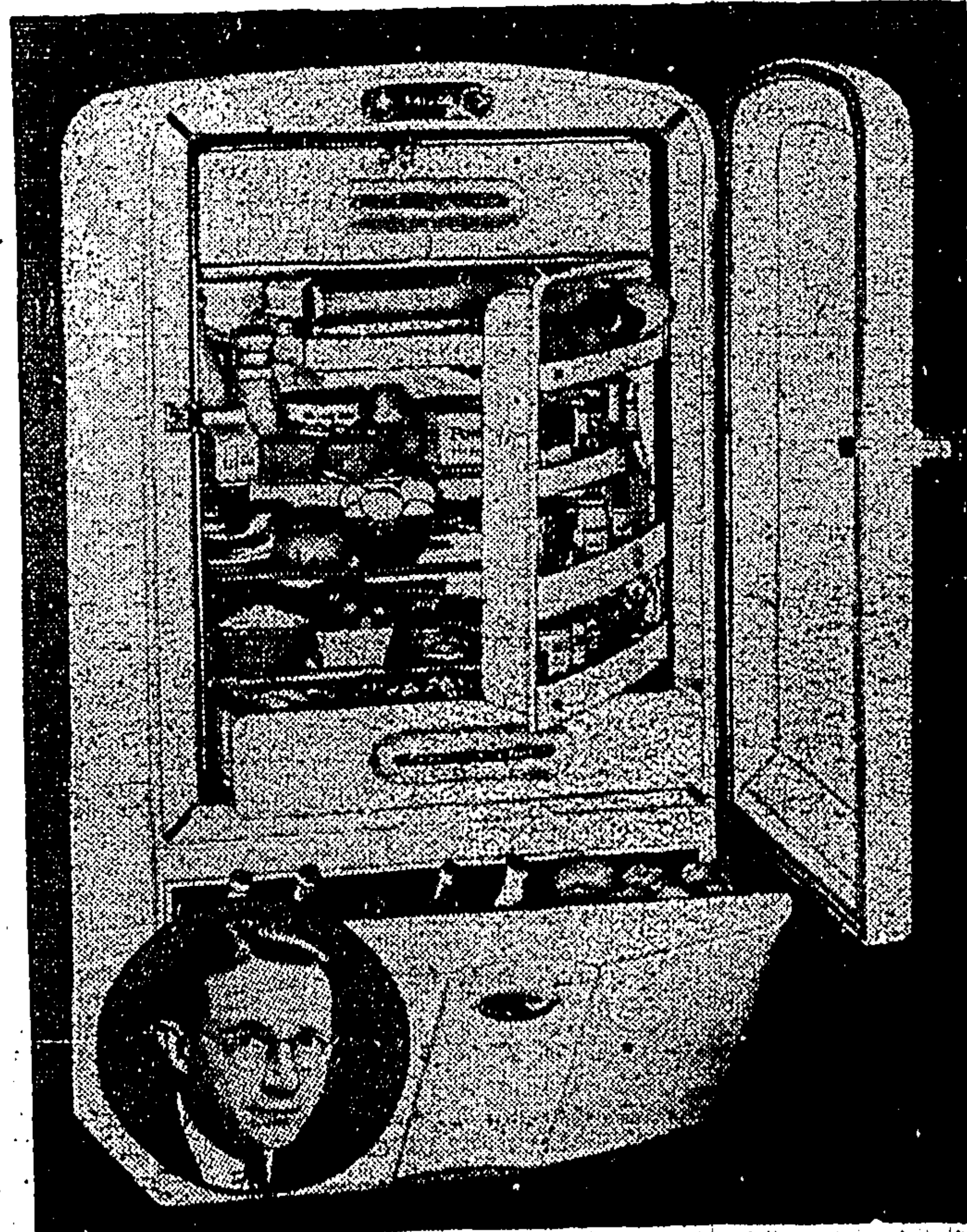
Colonel-General Ulrich Grauert, Commanding General of a Nazi air squadron, who, the German communique says, "fell in action while fighting against England," was one of the German key air commanders.

## NO WITHDRAWAL FROM CANTON

Contrary to Chinese reports from Hong Kong, there is no sign of the withdrawal of Japanese civilians from Canton, says a Reuter Special message from the Kwangtung capital.

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## BRIDGE NOTES

### A USEFUL INFERENCE

By The Four Aces

To-day's hand probably belongs in the crime series, because South misplayed the hand and lost his Small Slam contract. But the crime is a little obvious, and the real interest centres in how South should have known the right way to play the hand:

South, Dealer  
North-South vulnerable

## NORTH

♠ Q 10 7 4  
♥ K Q J 7 3  
♦ K Q 6  
♣ J

## WEST

♠ J 8 5 2  
♥ 10 6  
♦ 7 4 2  
♣ 7 6 4 3

## EAST

♠ 3  
♥ 9 5 4  
♦ A J 10 9  
♣ 8 3  
Q 10 9

## SOUTH

♠ A K 9 6  
♥ A 8 2  
♦ 5  
♣ A K 8 5 2

The bidding:

| South | West | North | East |
|-------|------|-------|------|
| 1♠    | Pass | 1♥    | 2♦   |
| 2♠    | Pass | 4♠    | Pass |
| 6♠    | Pass | Pass  | Pass |

West opened the seven of diamonds, and dummy's Queen forced out East's Ace. A diamond return was won by dummy, and South took the next trick with the spade Ace. Thus far, South had played the hand correctly, but his next play upset his appeccat; he led a low trump and won with dummy's Queen.

When East showed out of trumps, the snow was over. South could not avoid the loss of a trump trick, and was therefore bound to be set one trick.

South had no way of telling that West had started with four trumps, but he should have known that if either defender had four trumps, it was more likely to be West. That sort of inference is very useful, and can be made almost every time a defensive bid has been made. The defensive bidder displays length in the suit he has bid, and he is therefore a little more likely to be short in some other suit than is his partner who has no unusually long suit.

Acting on this inference, South should have won the second round of trumps with the King in his own hand. Then if both players followed suit, dummy's Queen would draw the last trump; but if East showed out, a finesse could be taken through West's Jack. The way South played the hand would have been correct if West had bid the diamonds, but was very unsound in view of the actual bidding.

Yesterday you were David Bruce Burnstone's partner and, with both sides vulnerable, you held:

♠ A Q 10 8 7  
♥ K J 9 4  
♦ 7  
♣ A 10 5

The bidding:

| You | Schenken | Burnstone | Major |
|-----|----------|-----------|-------|
| 1♠  | Pass     | 1NT       | Pass  |
| 2♥  | Pass     | 2♠        | Pass  |
| (?) |          |           |       |

ANSWER: Pass. Your partner's bidding indicates a weak hand, and game is unlikely unless he has at least fair strength.

Score 100% for pass, 40% for three spades.

## Question No. 781

To-day you are Howard Schenken's partner and, with both sides vulnerable, you hold:

♠ 7 3 2  
♥ 8 4  
♦ A Q J 7 6  
♣ K 8 3

The bidding:

| Schenken | Jacoby | You | Major |
|----------|--------|-----|-------|
| 1♠       | Pass   | (?) |       |

What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)

(Released by The Bell Syndicate, Inc.)

# BIG U.S. SUPPLIES ARMING THE NEAR EAST

(By HAROLD DENNY)

PORTS IN THE NEAR EAST have become the real war front of the Near East. American war materials of every description are arriving in this theatre in sufficient volume to promise an appreciable effect.

The first ship to arrive after President Roosevelt removed the legal barriers against American vessels' voyages to the Red Sea docked July 4 after a voyage from an American port.

Her captain, a husky Irish-American, was proud of his distinction. While a group of correspondents watched the unloading of his ship, another vessel with the Stars and Stripes nosed into port.

The quay, a narrow strip of solid ground with the blue sea on one side and a fringe of stringy palms cutting off the desert on the other, was a scene of great animation, for these priceless stores were being unloaded at top speed twenty-four hours a day. British freighters also were unloading.

## American Experts Help

British officers and soldiers were supervising, while American technical experts stood by to see that their precious charges were not damaged and to advise on the uncrating and assembling. The stevedores were Egyptian Arabs, who, with dirty cotton burnouses rolled up around their waists, sweated and shouted as they pried out the cargo.

The dock was already a jungle of crates containing Tomahawk engines, fuselages and wing sections ready to be assembled, motor trucks, tires and spare parts for automobiles and aeroplanes.

The ship appeared packed to capacity. Deep in the hold lay squat, ugly war monsters. As one by one they were hoisted by derricks and deposited on land they received a few gallons of gasoline and chugged off under their own power. An American technician fondly patted a gun muzzle and remarked, "These are made of steel that is second to none."

The interstices among the heavy items were filled with coils of wire, tires, medical stores, shoe polish and ordinary civil goods, including American canned beer that has already appeared in Cairo cafes at 40 cents a pint.

Word that a large variety of American supplies is actually reaching the Near East has spread widely through the troops, who for months have been asking every American they see, "When will your stuff begin coming?"

### Near East Hails Russians

The Near East apparently is secure for the time being. How long it will remain so few venture to predict.

British authorities speak admiringly of the courage, tenacity and skill of the Red Army, for it is devouring a considerable slice of Germany's trained man power and destroying much German equipment though at an immense cost to its own men and material.

But even though Russia's resistance has been more effective than had been hoped for, most observers here have little doubt of the final outcome. Russia can at best only delay the German march.

The Germans are driving heavily at the administrative and industrial centres, Moscow and Leningrad, instead of directly at Kiev, as first expected, and evidently intend to paralyse Russia's nerve centres and knock out Russia by a blow to the head instead of simply going after grain, coal, iron and oil, the resources of the Ukraine and Transcaucasia.

Should the Germans succeed, it is difficult to see where the Soviet Government could set itself up again west of the Ural Mountains and how it could avoid being driven from Europe.

Germany's attack on Russia makes the war problem greater and more immediate for Britain and the United States. If Germany is able to overrun Western Russia in the next few weeks it seems likely that she would then, after an interval for reorganising

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A British-American production council to achieve standardisation of 'planes is suggested in a Parliamentary question by Mr. E. Granville (Lib. Nat., Eye).

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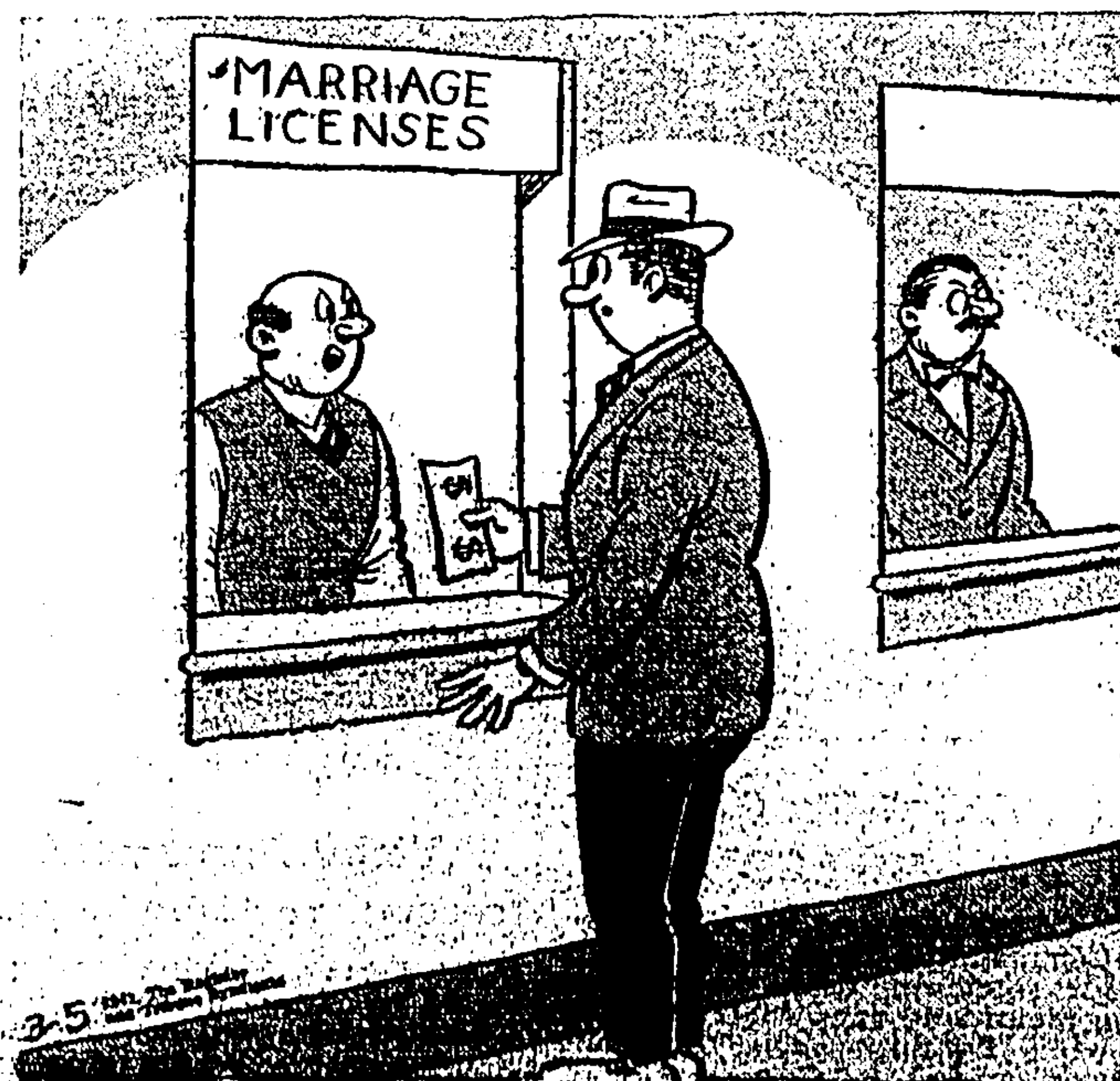
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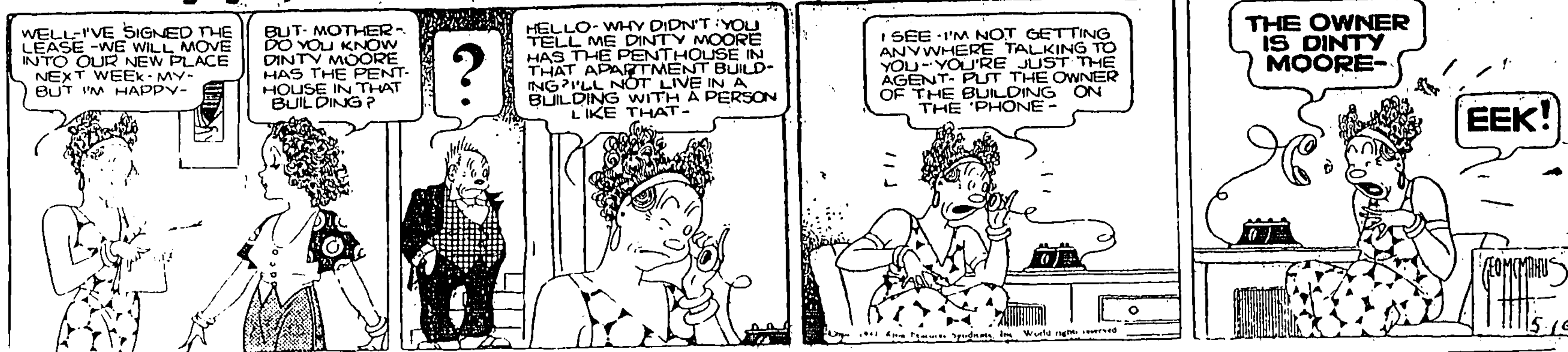
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## Bringing Up Father



# Victoria Would Be Surprised

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with everything that smacks of the army—everything but the battle scars.

It has a uniform, but even that is not compulsory. Some members wear it, but the majority don't. It looks more like a trim town outfit, this gray-green suit with a rust-coloured blouse that goes with it. The pull-on felt hat in the same soft colour is even becoming. In raids, of course, the workers must wear steel helmets, which weigh five pounds.

How the women work in a raid was told recently by the instructor of a fresh group of workers in England's West Country. This raid was at Plymouth.

"As you know, we're a good sixty miles from Plymouth," she said. "We could see the sky take on a pink glow that night and later we watched it deepen into a blood-red glare. We heard the guns and the explosions. We even thought we could hear the drone of the German motors. We stood by—tense with excitement. Shortly after midnight the message came through to proceed at once."

Not just one or two mobile canteens took to the indistinguishable curving roads of England that night, but twelve. All twelve got through that time and, once the outskirts of Plymouth were reached, the going was easy with fires lighting the way.

"Plymouth itself couldn't cope with all the tragedy that night and early morning," the instructor went on. "For hours on end we dished out cups of tea. We distributed sandwiches. We walked over debris with sausage rolls to feed fire-fighters exhausted and scorched as they poured water on the flames."

"Our second stop in that early morning was literally no man's land. In one whole block everything was down. The biggest explosive in the world must have landed there. Masonry was still crumbling at the far end of the street, so we couldn't get through. We stood by what were once houses with furniture—now a jangled mass of wreckage."

"The side wall of one house was still standing as we came through. And, strangely enough, the stairs still clung crazily to the wall. Nobody knows why, but stairs do hold."

"There were three men with picks and shovels, digging like mad to clear out the rubble from under those stairs. A cup of tea? we asked as we approached them. There was no reply—just a continuous feverish digging. And then we knew why. We stood by fascinated and appalled. We didn't have long to wait. We could see three women, white with dust, huddled under the stairs. They were choking with dust in their lungs and their eyes were bloodshot."

"'Ere miss," said a member of the rescue squad as he helped out one woman. "'Ere's a nice cup of tea [the tea that was originally meant for him] and don't you worry. I always say it's better to be buried and dug out than dug out and buried."

It was that night that a member of the W.V.S. earned a medal for bravery. The announcement was terse. "Dug out seven persons trapped in Anderson shelter

and gave them first-aid while the raid was a progress."

One of the subjects with which the W.V.S. has to deal is clothes. With the recent introduction of clothes rationing, coats, suits and dresses take on a new meaning in Britain. New ones are unthinkable, even for people who don't have to bother too much about money, for the sixty-six coupons annually allowed take care of only the bare necessities. Fashion is dead for the moment.

With and-mend parties are today's substitutes for afternoon bridge parties. At least two afternoons a week are devoted to sewing and mending. Even Queen Elizabeth holds work-and-mend parties in the bombed palace, taking her place at a rough trestle table, cutting and sewing with the wives of the palace attendants. Cooperating with the Red Cross, St. John's Ambulance and the Personal Service League, the W.V.S. has set up the Central Hospital Supply Service, for which they organise working parties.

The workers have found a trick in cutting clothing to get the most out of every available scrap. "Out of a belt of flannel we know how to cut the maximum number of pyjamas and shirts, but the trick is to cut it so we can get pieces for hot water bottle covers and squares for patch-work quilts," one of them explained.

Seventeen miles of cloth have been cut in this workroom in less than a year. "We even save the selvages," admitted one shy helper. "We tear them off every roll of cloth and then knit them up into hospital cloths and dusters. The small shavings we sell to the paper manufacturers."

"And the dust—what do you do with that?" she was asked.

"Oh, we sell that to the paper manufacturers too," she replied.

With hospital training back of them, there are the W.V.S. workers who organise blood-transfusion services. They list and classify volunteer blood donors and in cases of emergency they collect blood.

The organisation gives the soldiers, too, their share of attention. Veering away from its prime purpose of working only with the civil defence authorities, it subjects His Majesty's fighting forces to the feminine influence. From 600 canteens it feeds more than 320,000 soldiers weekly.

At lonely outposts in Britain the volunteer workers travel hundreds of miles to minister to the needs of the boys and to alleviate their boredom. With vans stocked with oddments such as razor blades, soap, tooth brushes, electric torch batteries, smokes, sweets and chocolates, they visit fifty encampments every week.

Through the activities of the W.V.S. waste has been greatly reduced in Britain. In every kitchen there is a special container for the clean garbage—that goes to the pigs; a box for meat bones—that's potential glue for aircraft production and fertiliser for the land; one for lead foil and tin foil—that too is to make more Spitfires and Hurricanes; one for newspapers, a very thin pile, what with only six pages in each edition—they are to be repulped; one for cardboard boxes—they are repulped; and how many times one reads one's old card-board boxes in next Sunday's

"Times" is a matter of conjecture. Even cigarette butts are stripped of their paper and the tobacco is saved for future smokes. Aluminum has been cleared out of every kitchen. Iron too is collected, but few households have much spare iron left. Iron railings have come down and the lovely wrought iron around London's Georgian squares and parks is rapidly finding its way to the melting pot for munitions.

The Battle of Britain has been the means of ridding men of the curious illusion that women are fragile—emotionally unstable and completely dependent on them for protection in times of danger. Furthermore, it has proved that men and women behave in precisely the same fashion in the face of enemy action.

These women of the W.V.S. are the same who, a short time ago, were not adaptable to change. Try telling them a new way to cook Yorkshire pudding and they would throw up their hands in horror with: "We don't do it that way." Now faced with a complete upheaval of their way of life, they have volunteered to do the most menial, the most heartbreaking, the most soul-searing tasks that humans have had to face since civilisation began.

These are the women whose grandmothers fainted at the sight of blood—whose great-grandmothers lived in the Victorian era when a leg was called a limb. These are the women who now help drag limbless people from the wreckage of smashed homes. These are the women who know how to stop a hemorrhage, who know how to speak words of comfort to the dying. They not only know how—they do it. And if they go off by themselves to be quietly sick before going on with the job in hand, no one knows it. These are the women who, parted from their husbands and children, are working for more than a military victory—the right of their children to grow up in peace and responsible freedom.

Centuries of freedom have accustomed the women of Britain to think for themselves. The fine attributes of the female mind, the eye for detail, the dislike of waste—all are of inestimable value in doing the nation's house-keeping from day to day. Amid the chaos and destruction of war, they have emerged to take their full share of the national responsibilities.

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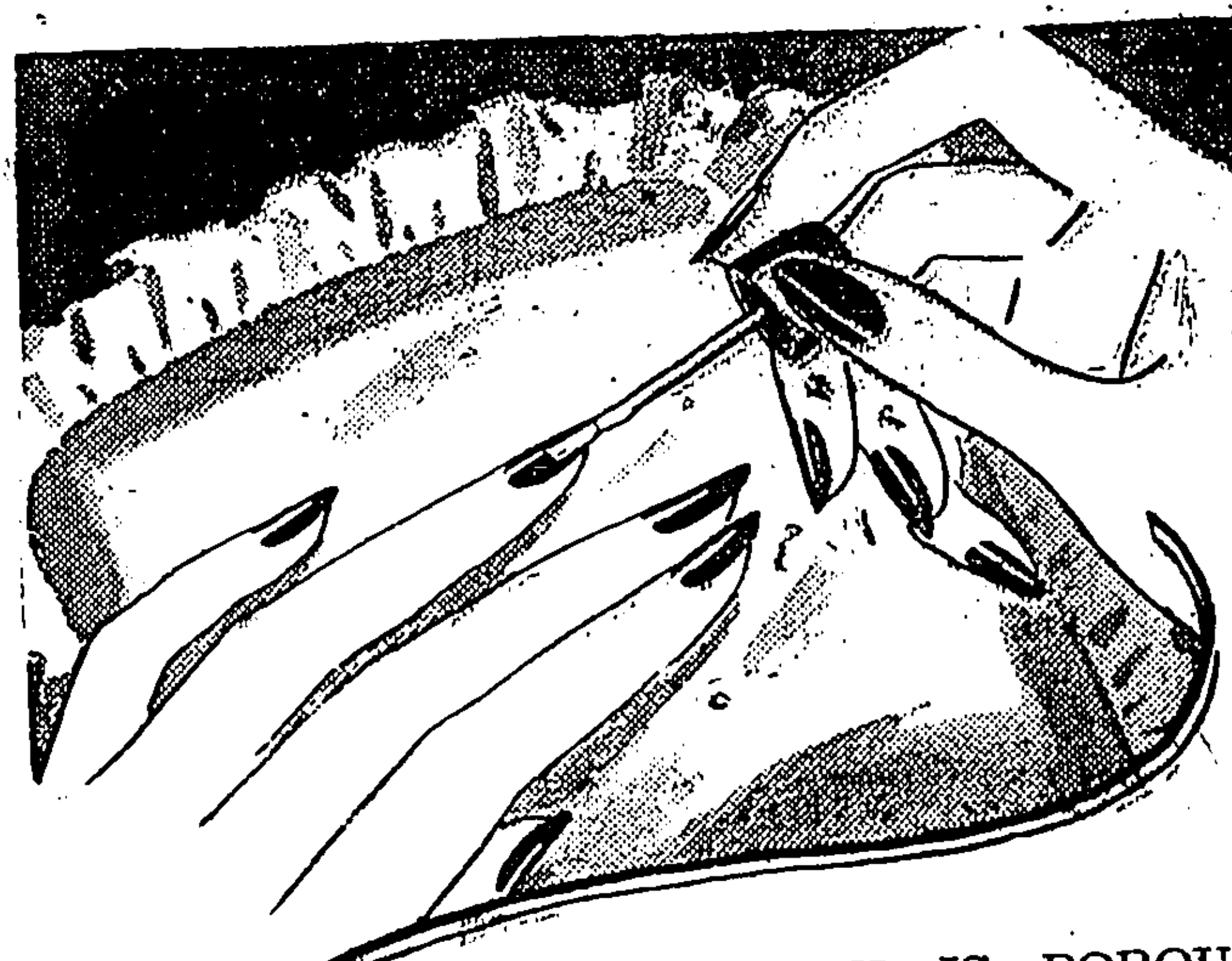
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6.00 p.m.—Indian Programme.  
6.45 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.  
6.47 p.m.—Excerpts from Grand Opera.  
"Die Meistersinger" — Overture (Wagner)... London Philharmonic Orchestra cond. by Georg Szell.  
"Mignon"—Vocal Gems (Thomas)... Grand Opera Company with Orch.  
"A Village Romeo & Juliet"—The Walk to the Paradise Garden (Dellus)... The New Symphony Orchestra.  
"Aida"—O Skies Gerulcan (Verdi)... Dusolina Giannini (Soprano) and Members of The Orchestra of La Scala, Milan.  
The Barber of Seville—Largo Al Factotum (Rossini)... Riccardo Stracciari (Baritone) with Orchestra.  
7.20 p.m.—Brahms Symphony No. 2 in F Major.  
1st Mov. Allegro con brio; 2nd Mov. Andante; 3rd Mov. Poco Allegretto; 4th Mov. Allegro... William Mengelberg and his Concertgebouw Orchestra.  
8.00 p.m.—London—The News.  
8.15 p.m.—London—War Commentary.  
8.25 p.m.—London — "Listening Post." Examination of Points in Daily German Propaganda.  
8.30 p.m.—Programme Summary.  
8.32 p.m.—Edward German — Three Dances from Neil Gwyn.  
Country Dance — Pastoral Dance — Merry-makers' Dance — Jack Hylton and his Orchestra.  
8.40 p.m.—Studio — "Some British Poets"—No. 6 Years. A Talk by Rev. Father T. Ryan, S.J.  
9.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Announcements.  
9.02 p.m.—Studio—"To-night We Present"—A Review of New Records.  
9.45-10.00 p.m.—News in French (on Short Wave only).  
9.45 p.m.—Some Chopin Mazurkas and Etudes.  
Mazurka in F Sharp Minor (Fis Moll), Op. 6 No. 1. Mazurka in C Sharp Minor (Cis Mo.) Op. 6 No. 2. Arthur Rubinstein (Piano).  
Grand Studies—Etude No. 10 in A Flat Major; Etude No. 12 in C Minor ("Revolutionary")... Kilenyi (Piano).  
Mazurka in A Minor (A Moll) Op. 7 No. 2. Mazurka in E Major (E Dure) Op. 6 No. 3... Arthur Rubinstein (Piano).  
10.00 p.m.—London — The News and News Commentary.  
10.15 p.m.—Guitar Solos.  
Waltzing to the Guitar—Medley—Intro: Alice Blue Gown; Love Will Find A Way; My Hero; Destiny; Missouri; I Love The Moon... Len Fillis (Hawaiian Guitar).  
Prairie Romeo (Godfrey—Carlton); There's Only Five Bullets in My Old Six Shooter (Box and others)... Bob Mallin.  
10.30 p.m.—Lucienne Boyer (Vocal) in a Light French Programme.  
Mimile's Valse; The Happy Whistler (Baptiste—Alexander)... Bijou Accordeon Orchestra.  
Mon Ami Le Vent — Chanson (J. Delettre); Hands Across The Table — Chanson... Lucienne Boyer.  
Carufa (J. A. Collazo); La Comparsita—Tango (G. H. M. Rodriguez)... Jean Wiener & Clement Doucet (Piano Duo).  
I Found A Bit of Paris in the Heart of Old New York (from "Continental Varieties of 1938"—Unger-Dietrich)... Lucienne Boyer.  
Parade D'Oiseau—One Step (Alexander); Reve Secret—Valse Musette (Roudot et Laurent Halet); L'Accordeoniste Alexander et Son Orchestra.  
11.00 p.m.—London — "Britain Today" by Sir Frederick Whyte.  
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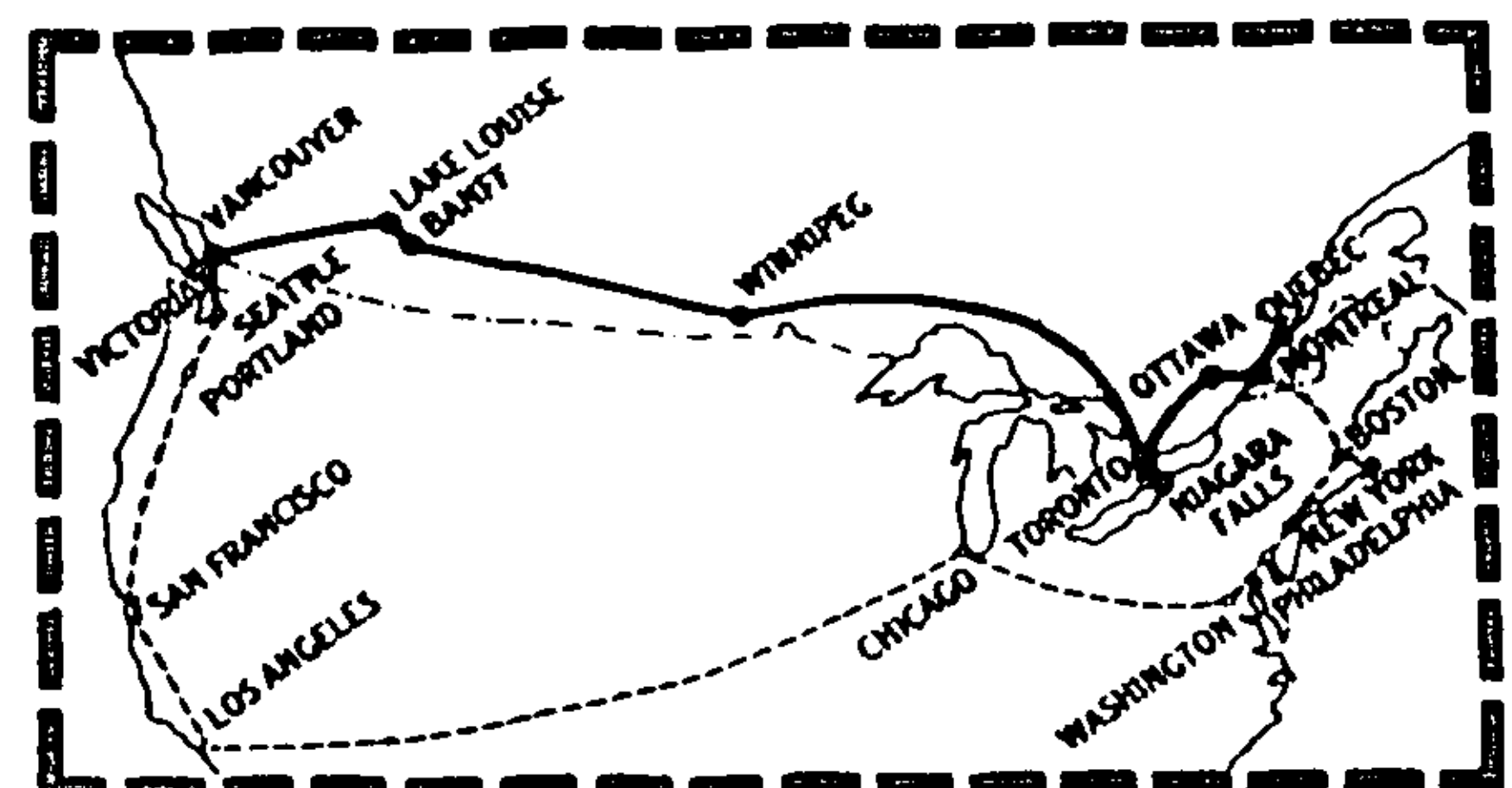
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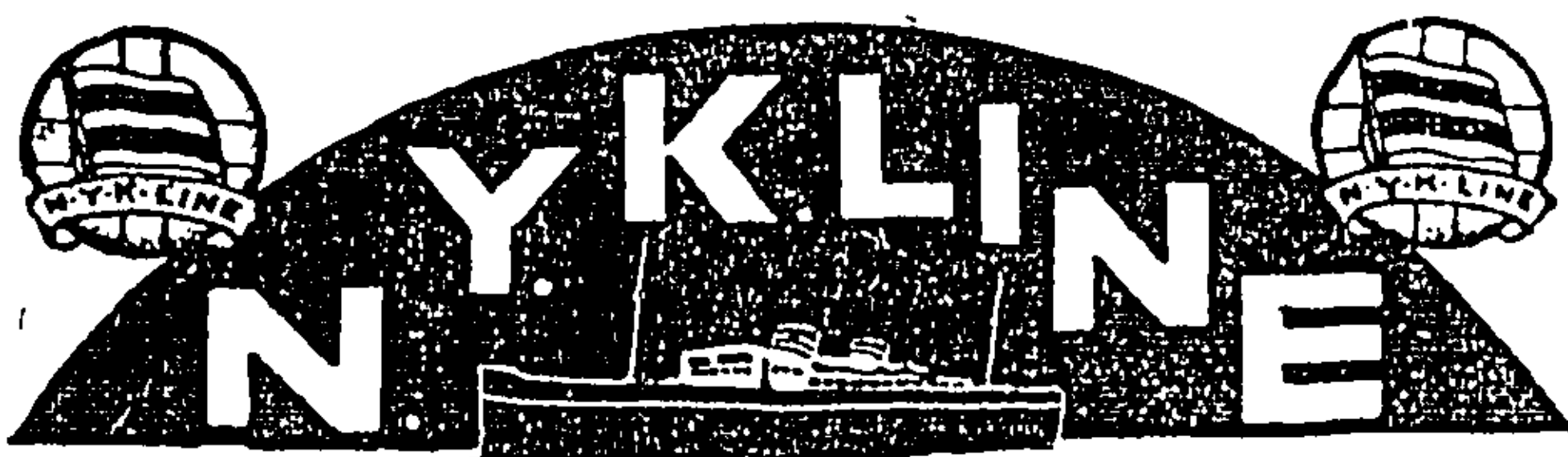
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## WIFE'S CLAIM FOR MAINTENANCE

Summoned for failing to provide reasonable maintenance for his "kit fat" wife, an elderly Chinese, Tsang Yen-nan, appeared before Mr. D. J. N. Anderson at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

The case was adjourned to August 8 and defendant was ordered to pay \$10 a week in the meantime.

## NAZI SHIPS IN THE PERSIAN GULF

Four German merchant ships now anchored in a Persian Gulf port are expected to slip out into the Indian Ocean to become raiders against British shipping off the Indian and Arabian coasts, according to Martin Agronsky, Ankara correspondent of the National Broadcasting Corporation, says Reuter from New York.

## U.S. ARMY AIR COOPERATION

The U.S. War Department yesterday announced the creation of a new type of Army air force organization to be known as the Air Support Command, which will provide air support for the ground forces.—Reuter.

The Japanese motor-vessel, Shirogane Maru, left Hong Kong for Canton this morning with a full list of passengers.

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## ATTACKED GIRL'S LEAP

Attacked in her home by a strange man, a young wife leaped from a bedroom window, but was then stabbed and bitten and had to barricade herself in the house.

This was alleged at Kenilworth, Warwickshire, recently, when Irvine Hartley, 25, of Sunningdale-avenue, Coventry, was sent for trial on a charge of attempting to murder Mrs. Barbara Joyce Dunn, 23, farmer's wife, of Round-lane, Kenilworth.

The prosecution alleged that after asking for food, Hartley followed Mrs. Dunn into the house and attacked her. She ran to a bedroom. But the man followed and struck her.

Mrs. Dunn leaped from the bedroom window into the garden. Hartley followed and it was alleged, stabbed her twice with a penknife, making serious wounds. Mrs. Dunn still resisted, and he bit her fingers and nose, then dragged her by the legs along the garden path.

Apparently frightened, Hartley went to get Mrs. Dunn some water. She barricaded herself in the house. The man brandished a chopper, then asked her to swear on the Bible that she would tell no one. Mrs. Dunn produced a book.

Hartley went away and later rang up a doctor.

## BADGE FOR WOUNDED

A badge for those invalided from the Navy, Army and Air Force, the Merchant Navy and Fishing Fleet, through wounds or disablement attributable to service since September 3, 1939, has been approved by the King.

To be known as the King's Badge, it will consist of the Royal and Imperial Cypher, surmounted by a crown and surrounded by a circular band bearing the inscription: "For Loyal Service."

Mr. Percy Metcalfe, C.V.O., has carried out the design. The badge is 1 in. in diameter and of white metal. It will have a buttonhole attachment for men and a brooch for women.

The distribution will be carried out by the Ministry of Pensions and the badge will be issued automatically to those entitled to it.

## GUILDER-NOTE FORGERIES FOUND

Lo Yau-sun, 30, unemployed, was charged before Mr. G. T. Lowry at the Central Magistracy this morning, with unlawful possession of 55 forged five-guilder bank notes.

At the request of Detective Sergeant T. Cashman, accused was remanded for a week for further enquiries.

Bail of \$1,000 was allowed.

## TOMATO SAUCE

For the unlawful possession of 10 aerated-water bottles, belonging to Watson and Company, the manager of the Shing Yick Firm, No. 244, Yu Chau Street, was fined \$25 by Mr. H. C. Macnamara, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

It was alleged that accused filled the bottles with tomato sauce and exhibited them for sale.

## CAR'S CREW OF 20

New York police have a new "emergency car," which carries four searchlights, can be directed from a plane, has a secretary's desk, carries a crew of twenty, and has a miniature operating theatre.

## PILOTS' PACE REQUIRES AIR TAXIS

The technique of delivering aircraft from factories to Royal Air Force fields in Great Britain has become so efficient that pilots of the Air Transport Auxiliary, the organisation distributing the planes, now are taken in aerial taxis, dropped off at factory airports to pick up planes and then met by a "taxi" at the delivery point according to a timetable as strictly adhered to as that of a commercial air line operating in peace time.

Once an organisation to which was allotted only two small sheds, the auxiliary now operates from eleven large aerodromes, each with staff buildings larger than most R.A.F. stations. Hundreds of men, either too old for operational service or physically unfit for the R.A.F., and more than a score of women are carrying on the important work at these "pools."

The pilots are classified and assigned to fly light aircraft, single-engined fighters and trainer planes, light twin-engined machines, heavy twin-engined bombers, such as Wellingtons, or the heavier bombers such as Stirlings, Manchesters, and Halifaxes.

However, many of the pilots fly all types, and some can fly as many as eighty types of machines. Women, to their disappointment, are permitted to fly only trainer aircraft, whereas many have a burning desire to put a hard-hitting Spitfire or Hurricane through its paces.

A.T.A. headquarters have meteorological laboratories where hourly weather forecasts for the entire country are made available. In another secret room the position of every balloon barrage in the country is posted.

In one room at headquarters men are in constant touch with the factories to find out how many aircraft are ready for delivery. On the walls of these rooms are the names of the pilots, what types of planes they fly and where they are.

Thus pilots can be sent off at a moment's notice. Usually, however, they report at 8 a.m., and within twenty minutes, if the weather is good, they all have left by "taxi" to pick up aircraft and put them down at destination points.

Despite the fact that many American airmen have come to England and entered the A.T.A., there is still a shortage of pilots for this important task. Among the Americans who have joined the A.T.A. are a commercial airline pilot and a nineteen-year-old college undergraduate.

## REPULSE BAY BURGLARY

Mr. R. D. Gillespie, of No. 12, South Bay Road, has informed the Police, that between midnight on Monday and 6.30 a.m. yesterday, someone entered his residence and stole jewellery and silverware to the value of \$1,048.50.

Miss E. M. Soares, of No. 38, Stubbs Road, has reported the theft of a watch, valued at \$45, from her residence early yesterday.

## ONE MAN EVERY 37 MINUTES

The rapid expansion of the Royal Australian Air Force is illustrated by the fact that at the beginning of this year the number of men being accepted for air crew and ground staff duties was equivalent to one man every 37 minutes—day and night.

The speed up in training facilities was so great that the intake of men into Initial Training Schools was sometimes greater than the total number of men recruited for air crew duties over the same period, although there was no falling off in recruiting. This meant a shorter waiting time for recruits.

The high pass standards achieved by Australians training in Canada under the Empire Air Training Scheme have surprised the authorities, who expressed doubt whether the quality of the first contingents could be maintained. They were assured by the Australian Department of Air that if there were any difference between the first Australian trainees and those who followed, could only be that the standard would improve.

The first contingent of Australians completed their course in Canada at the end of last year, about the same time that the third party was arriving from the Commonwealth.

Speaking in the Canadian House of Commons Mr. Power, the Minister for Air, said that the men from Australia and New Zealand had proved to be of the very best material. They had given an example to and served as a model for the young men of Canada. Compared with what had been expected the percentage of wastage or failure had been extremely low.

## CIGARETTES FOR SWASTIKAS

A SHORT TIME AGO A PHOTOGRAPH WAS PUBLISHED OF AN R.A.F. FIGHTER PILOT STANDING BESIDE THE BLADE OF AN AIRSCREW FROM A WRECKED NAZI AIRCRAFT. THE BLADE WAS ALMOST COVERED WITH SMALL SWASTIKAS, REPRESENTING THE NUMBER OF ENEMY AIRCRAFT BROUGHT DOWN BY THE PILOT'S SQUADRON.

The sequel to the publication of the picture was a letter addressed to the Air Ministry asking for the pilot's name and address. The writer expressed her admiration for what the pilot and his squadron had done, and said she would like to send him a gift of cigarettes.

The information has been forwarded to the writer, and it is hoped that the cigarettes have now reached their destination and been appreciated.

## CRAIGENGOWER TENNIS WIN

At Happy Valley yesterday, Craigen-gower Cricket Club beat Army Tennis Club by 7 sets to 2 in Fourth Division of the Tennis League.

K. M. Au and C. M. Lee (C.C.C.) beat Q.M.S. Ford and L/Cpl. Stoner 6-4  
beat Spr. Elsie and Sgt. Alsey 6-0  
beat S/Sergt. Mitchell and Sergt. Musson 6-4  
Y. H. Leung and Y. C. Mok (C.C.C.) beat Ford and Stoner 6-0  
lost to Elsie and Alsey 3-6  
beat Mitchell and Musson 6-4  
M. C. Hung and P. C. Yu (C.C.C.) beat Ford and Stoner 6-3  
lost to Elsie and Alsey 2-6  
beat Mitchell and Musson 6-2

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A hockey match on roller skates was played yesterday between Blitz and Hong Kong Skating Club "B," ending in a goalless draw.

The Chinese personnel of the Fortress Royal Engineers will celebrate their Golden Jubilee on Friday afternoon with a Swimming Gala in the Army pool, commencing at 2.45 p.m. Competing units are Nos. 1, 2 and 3 Sections of 22nd Fortress Coy. and the Right-half and Left-half Sections of 40th Fortress Coy.

## CHOLERA INCIDENCE

One hundred and one cases of cholera — 42 from Kowloon, 32 from Victoria, 10 from Shaokwan, nine from rural Hong Kong, five from the Harbour and three from the New Territories — with 59 deaths; 223 cases of tuberculosis with 143 deaths; 67 of dysentery with 39 deaths; 22 of enteric fever with 12 deaths; five of diphtheria; four of meningitis and two of measles, were notified to the Health Authorities last week.

A jump in the daily number of cholera cases occurred on Monday, when 22 cases were registered — 11 from Kowloon, five from Victoria, two each from the Harbour and rural Hong Kong, and one each from Shaokwan and the New Territories.

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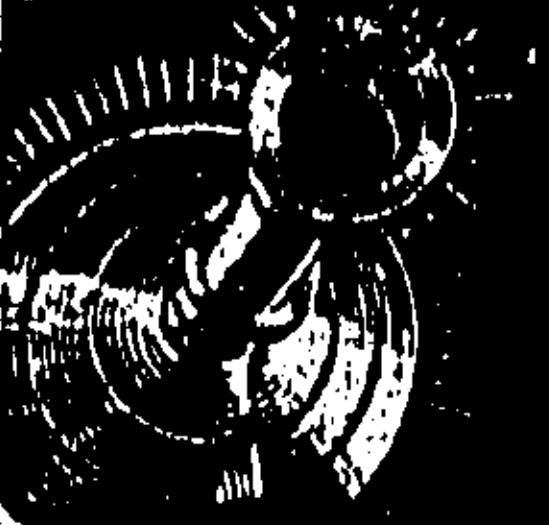
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# A. K. RUMJAHN BEATEN IN BACK-STROKE

Highlight of the swimming trial, at the V. R. C. last evening, preparatory to the selection of the Combined V.R.C.-European Y. M. C. A. team for the contest against Combined Chinese in the gala arranged for August 9, was the defeat of A. K. Rumjahn in the 50 Yards back-stroke by T. Lopes who was timed at 32 2/5 secs, against Rumjahn's 33 4/5.

In fairness to Rumjahn, however, it must be stated that he had, a few minutes before this race, taken part in the 50 Yards free-style event, and in view of this the Committee in charge of the selections have decided to hold another trial over this distance on Thursday.

A further trial will be held on Tuesday as the turn-out yesterday was affected by Volunteer duties.

D. Hutchinson was seeded in the men's events while in the Ladies' section the Misses V. Churn, J. Anderson, C. Guterres and I. Lopes were exempted from the trials.

## Results

Results of yesterday's events were:  
Men's 100 Yards free-style: L. Roza-Pereira, 62 2/5 secs.; L. A. Benn 64 1/5 secs.

Ladies' 50 Yards free-style: Miss M. Noronha, 37 secs.; Miss E. Grant, 37 1/5 secs.; Miss Y. Yelle, 37 1/5 secs.

Men's 50 Yards free-style (First Heat): G. Saunders, 26 2/5 secs.; J. Fenton, 28 1/5 secs. (Second Heat): E. A. Roberts, 26 3/5 secs.; B. S. Wilson, 27 secs.; L. Roza-Pereira, A. K. Rumjahn.

Members' 50 Yards back-stroke Handicap: T. A. Rull, 42 secs.; A. B. Carvalho, 39 4/5 secs.; L. M. Mendonca (Second Heat): J. L. Fenton, 37 secs.; F. A. Noronha, 38 secs.

Men's 50 Yards back-stroke: T. Lopes, 32 2/5 secs.; A. K. Rumjahn, 33 4/5 secs.; B. S. Wilson.

## WATER POLO RESULTS

Following are the results of matches in the Y.M.C.A. Invitation Water-Polo tournament played at "Y" pool last night:

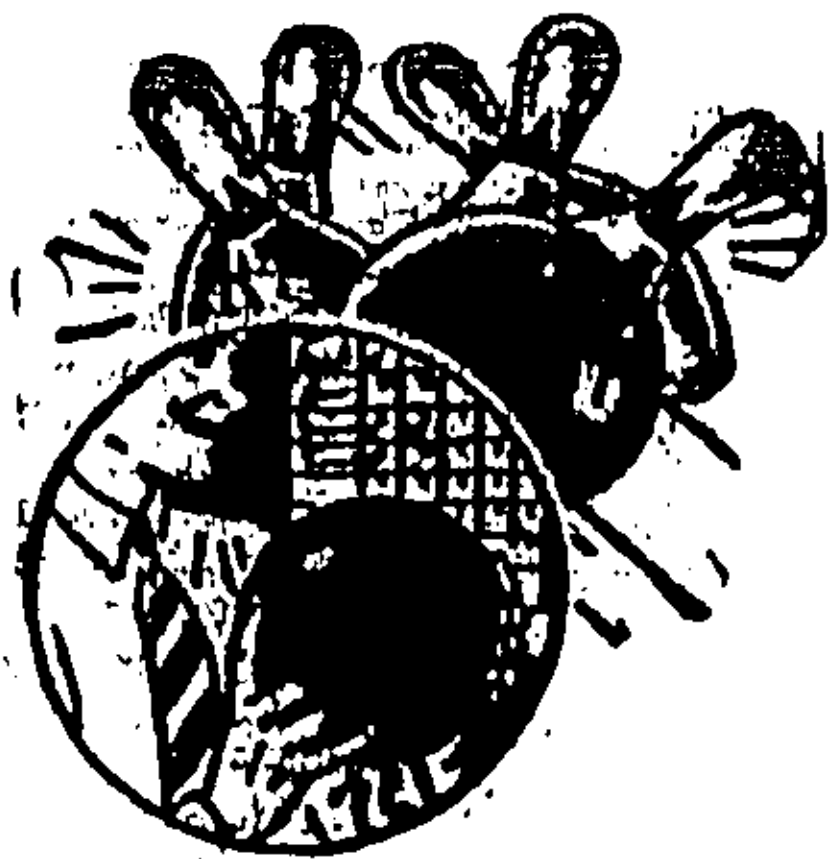
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|----------------------------------|---|---------------------------------|---|
| Navy "C"                         | 5 | 8th Regt. R.A.                  | 1 |
| Wilson (2), Rice (2) and Gardner |   | McNulty                         |   |
| Middlesex "A"                    | 2 | Royal Scots "A"                 | 2 |
| Birdsey and Bindon               |   | Slater and Hunter               |   |
| Middlesex "B"                    | 1 | Signals                         | 5 |
| Peacock                          |   | Pitcher (3), McCann and Bedford |   |

## Table To Date

|                 | P. | W. | L. | D. | F. | A. | Pts. |
|-----------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|------|
| Signals         | 17 | 16 | 0  | 1  | 97 | 14 | 33   |
| Y.M.C.A.        | 16 | 14 | 2  | 0  | 82 | 18 | 26   |
| Middlesex "A"   | 16 | 13 | 1  | 2  | 85 | 18 | 26   |
| R. Scots "A"    | 16 | 10 | 5  | 1  | 51 | 54 | 22   |
| R. Navy "A"     | 15 | 10 | 4  | 1  | 55 | 33 | 21   |
| R. Navy "C"     | 16 | 8  | 6  | 2  | 45 | 41 | 18   |
| Combined Small  | 16 | 8  | 7  | 1  | 43 | 53 | 17   |
| Units           | 14 | 5  | 7  | 2  | 39 | 35 | 12   |
| 8th Regt. R.A.  | 14 | 5  | 7  | 2  | 39 | 35 | 12   |
| Middlesex "B"   | 16 | 4  | 10 | 1  | 29 | 57 | 9    |
| 5th, A.A. Regt. | 14 | 3  | 9  | 2  | 31 | 45 | 8    |
| R.A.            | 14 | 3  | 9  | 2  | 31 | 45 | 8    |
| 965th Bty. R.A. | 16 | 2  | 12 | 2  | 28 | 79 | 6    |
| R. Navy "B"     | 10 | 2  | 7  | 1  | 11 | 40 | 5    |
| 36th Bty. R.A.  | 14 | 1  | 12 | 1  | 16 | 67 | 3    |
| R. Scots "B"    | 16 | 0  | 14 | 1  | 15 | 68 | 1    |

Canadian-Chinese girls are hoping to form a basketball team in the near future, and a meeting will be held next Tuesday.

Victoria Recreation Club are holding heats this afternoon at 6 p.m. in preparation for the club swimming gala on Saturday.



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## HONG KONG BOWLING ALLEYS

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Ma Nai-kwong, of Chung Hwa, coming home on a bad throw during the game between Chung Hwa and South China on Saturday, which the former won by 6 runs to 3. The catcher is Harold Winglee.

# SHANGHAI GOLFERS OF TODAY AND YESTERDAY

ONE IS OFTEN ASKED HOW DO THE PRESENT LEADING GOLFERS HERE COMPARE WITH THE STALWARTS OF YESTER-YEAR, WRITES A "CHINA PRESS," SHANGHAI, CORRESPONDENT. GOING BACK OVER THE PAST FIFTEEN YEARS WE HAVE SEEN MANY GOOD GOLFERS COME AND GO, BUT DOES THE QUALITY CHANGE? WE DOUBT IT.

## BERNARD CARSLAKE PASSES

BERNARD CARSLAKE, ONE OF THE LEADING ENGLISH JOCKEYS FOR 40 YEARS, DIED AT HIS HOME NEAR SALISBURY YESTERDAY AGED 55.

Carslake, who was born in Australia, was the last link of the great days of Edwardian jockeys and was always one of the most "stylish" riders in the history of racing.

On the outbreak of the war in 1914 Carslake, who was twice champion jockey, was in Austria-Hungary but escaped from Austria disguised as a fireman on a railway engine and reached Rumania, where he rode a number of winners in 1915.

Soon afterwards he went to Russia where he also became champion jockey. He escaped from there when the revolution broke out and reached England after a series of thrilling adventures.

He won most of the important races in England, but never rode a Derby winner.—Reuter.

## HITCH-HIKES 150 MILES TO FIGHT

FOUR BOXERS STRENGTHENED THEIR CLAIMS FOR BRITISH TITLE FIGHTS WHEN THEY APPEARED IN THE RED CROSS TOURNAMENT AT LEICESTER, WHERE A CAPACITY CROWD OF 6,000 SAW SOME GOOD SPORT.

The were Tom Reddington (heavyweight), Harry Lazar (lightweight), Freddie Mills (middleweight) and Eddie Ryan (welterweight).

Mills, whose long sequence of wins has placed him high among the challengers to Jock McAvoy, had to "hitch-hike" 150 miles in order to get to Leicester in time to meet Sadd. He had missed the weigh-in, earlier in the day, but was in time for the contest; out-fought Sadd in close-quarter fighting; and then was promised a lift in a car back to his R.A.F. station.

### Points Decisions

Reddington outpointed George Markwick; Lazar outpointed George Bridges; Mills beat Ginger Sadd, who retired at the end of the 9th round, and Eddie Ryan beat Harry Craster on points.

Reddington was far more accurate than usual, and showed fine speed in forcing the fight against the plucky opponent.

Lazar, after a clear-cut points victory over Bridges, announced through his manager that he was prepared to meet Eric Boon, British lightweight champion, in a title fight for any sidestake up to £10,000.—Reuter.

You strike your form in a competition, you win it. If you are off that putter, just getting a wee bit right hand in on the driver, or, perhaps, hitting from the top of your swing, it's a certainty you are dead set out of the running. Consider J. B. Ferrier, Budd Blinco, Mitchell (Army), Broadhurst (Marines), Harrison, Malcolm and Barrett all were great golfers on their day, but easy to beat when off a bit. So it will go on in local golf. The standard varies very little, but with increased interest in the game, competition may get greater and so, the future champions will not stand out so individually as some of their predecessors.

### The Courses

The condition of the courses has a great deal to do with the scores, for if a golfer gets off to a good start he gains confidence and it takes a major disaster to stop him. But woe behold him should he strike a bad patch in the championship, especially at the beginning of the first round, for he may well finish last, because nothing is so heart-breaking to a golfer as having to carry a couple of sevens or an eight with him for two days.

Hunglao course is in fine condition, the greens have never been better and the surroundings are conducive to tranquillity, if you are hitting them straight. Good scores should be the rule rather than the exception on this course, but it is seldom so. There are seven 3-par holes and, at least, another four possible threes and yet, it is doubtful if the average return, even in friendly week-end games, exceeds five.

Seeking for a different proposition, it was more open, but following a generous donation of trees from a member this openness is minimised. The planting of so many trees has been a great improvement and they make even the short handicap man think twice before banging at one.

### "Where Do Balls Go?"

The great question troubling all local golfers is "will there be any balls to play with by September?" In the good

# RECREIO "A" MAKE FEW CHANGES FOR SATURDAY'S GAME AGAINST K.B.G.C. "A"

RECREIO "A" WILL BE AT HOME TO KOW-LOON BOWLING GREEN "A" AND ONLY A COUPLE OF CHANGES HAVE BEEN MADE IN THE TEAM THAT BEAT THEIR OWN "B" TEAM LAST WEEK. J. F. V. RIBEIRO WILL HAVE THE SAME FOUR, BUT C. M. SILVA, WHO PLAYED NO. 2 TO ALVES LAST WEEK, WILL GO TO LUZ'S RINK, IN THE SAME POSITION, TO CHANGE PLACES WITH C. ROZA-PEREIRA.

## WE ALL HAVE OUR TROUBLES SAYS C. WOOD

We all have our troubles—champions and duffers alike, writes Craig Wood, winner of the 1941 P.G.A. Championship. There are moments in the life of the mightiest player when his knees and wrists feel as if they were made of feathers and blotting paper—moments when the stoutest champion grinds his teeth and swears that some invisible devil has sneaked into the core of the little white pill called a golf ball.

The only difference is that the experienced tournament player, whose livelihood depends on the steadiness of his golf game, has developed a formula—some call it psychology, but I prefer to call it a mixture of concentration and application—for getting himself in hand when a mental blow-up threatens. The first rule of golf psychology should be a realisation on the part of every player that high tension, while harmful in the long run to anybody's game, is not necessarily fatal.

### Psychological Effect

Therefore, if the golfer can train himself to remember that it is possible to settle down to play good golf, even after starting out with ragged nerves, it should have a marked psychological effect in steadying his game. It is even possible to start under great tension and still play sound golf from the very beginning.

Anything—and everything—is likely to come into the golfer's mind as he plays in a crucial tournament. Therefore, the good player must train himself rigidly to be able to concentrate on golf—golf and nothing but golf—while preparing for and making a shot. He must be able to size up a situation quickly, decide what the shot calls for, then go ahead and execute it with a (Continued at Foot of Next Col.)

old days when golf balls were a dollar and a half you always got back your lost balls. Now at \$8.50 you seldom do. It reminds one of that old music hall song "Where do flies go in the winter?" We could tell them where the golf balls go that are never found!

The purloining—as one of the Council's leading advisers would put it—of balls is particularly despicable at present, because fresh stocks are not arriving and even the "pivot boys" are having to smash around the courses with a rather bedraggled Topflite or 65.

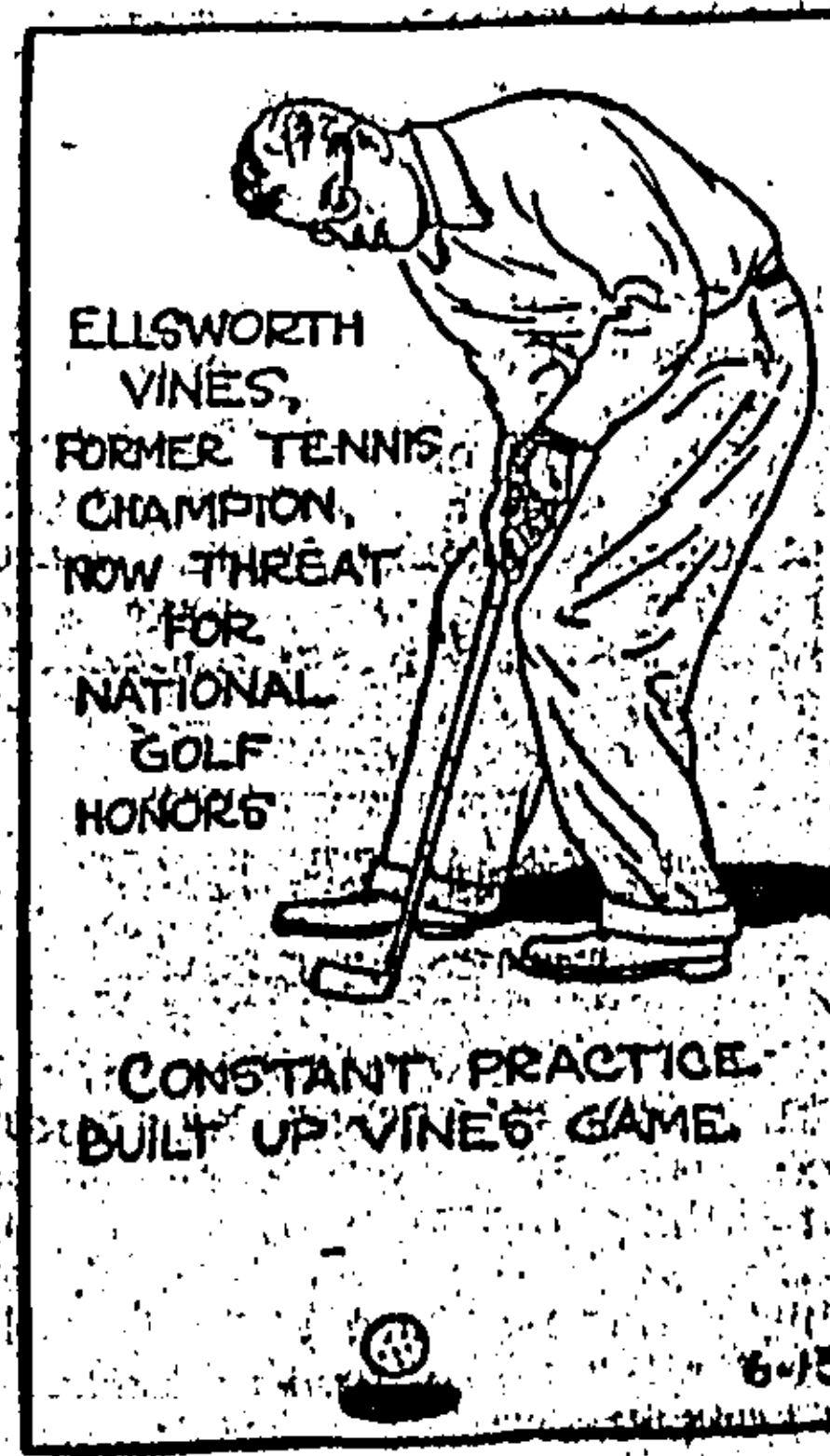
Was it Byron who said inter alia "With all thy faults I love thee still!" So it is with golf, we moan, cuss, groan, but go on hoping for that great day when we will just bust the course record.

# Easier Golf

WHAT PRACTICE CAN DO  
By Best Ball

Ellsworth Vines' triumph in the Bobby Jones Trophy tournament in which he scored a 67-61 for two rounds over a par 66 course, affords an object lesson to the average player of just what determination and a lot of practice will do. Perhaps it was Vines' great spirit of "competition" which led him to take up golf seriously. A tennis champion, one of the greatest of all, used to consistency in play he was intrigued and challenged by the inconsistency of his play in golf. Schooled in achieving perfection in tennis strokes he could be satisfied with no less a degree of perfection in golf.

Naturally every player does not possess Vines' competitive temperament nor do they have the time to practice the game in the same measure he devoted to it. Yet even in fewer and briefer practice sessions there lies a



ELLSWORTH VINES, FORMER TENNIS CHAMPION, NOW THREAT FOR NATIONAL GOLF HONORS

CONSTANT PRACTICE BUILDS UP VINES' GAME

chance for potential improvement. It only remains for the player to make up his mind to develop a better game. Next Article. — Correct Turn.

Two of the "B" rinks remain intact, but in J. J. Basto's four, C. H. Basto, who was No. 3 last week, will move up to No. 2 with C. A. Lopes, an absentee last week, returning to his usual place at No. 3. C. C. Pereira retains his Second Division rink, but E. Barros drops out of Carvalho's four, and his place as lead will be taken by L. A. Rosario, who was No. 2 last week. A. V. Barros, No. 2 to Soares last week, will come into this rink as No. 2.

A. P. Pereira, who was playing in Third Division last week, takes over the third rink from J. R. Soares, who moves up to No. 3 to displace C. M. Silva, No. 2 this week. A. V. Barros, who will be playing in Carvalho's four on Saturday, was Soares' No. 2.

The Third Division team Yvanovich will have a new No. 2 in A. M. Silva, in place of C. Guterres, who goes to the same position, vice J. A. Remedios, in the second rink, which will be skipped by Alarcon, instead of the promoted Pereira. No. 1 here will be Ribeiro instead of M. Guterres, with Mendonca keeping his place as No. 3.

M. F. Pinna will have Campos' as No. 2 to replace H. M. Xavier, promoted to No. 3 in place of A. A. da Rosa. Owing to the absence of G. Perkins, Police have been forced to make several positional changes in the First Division game against Kowloon Cricket Club.

In J. Shepherd's rink, W. S. Dall and W. Harris change place as Nos. 2 and 3 respectively. In W. Mair's rink E. G. Post will be seen as No. 3 in place of C. Pile, who takes the No. 3 position vacated by G. Perkins.

In J. C. S. Fender's rink the only change is where W. Cameron comes into the side as No. 1 in place of E. G. Post.

### Selected Teams

Following are the selected teams:

**CLUB DE RECREIO**  
First Division "A" (v. K.B.G.C. "A", home):—F. X. Silva, C. Roza-Pereira, J. E. Noronha, H. A. Alves (skip); Joe Luz, C. E. Marques, L. F. Xavier, J. F. V. Ribeiro (skip); F. X. Soares, C. M. da Silva, F. V. V. Ribeiro, R. F. Luz (skip).

First Division "B" (v. Craigengower C.C., home):—D. C. Alves, C. H. Basto, C. A. Lopes, J. J. Basto (skip); F. A. Machado, A. F. Noronha, J. C. Remedios, E. Sousa (skip); C. F. Vas, A. M. Xavier, A. M. Rodrigues, A. P. Guterres (skip).

Second Division (v. Taikoo, away):—A. J. Osmund, C. M. S. Alves, J. R. Soares, A. P. Pereira (skip); L. A. Rosario, A. V. Barros, H. R. Pinna, M. A. Carvalho (skip); E. Cunha, F. A. Xavier, J. A. Remedios, C. C. Pereira (skip).

Third Division (v. Kowloon B.G.C., away):—G. A. Pinna, A. M. Silva, E. A. R. Alves, P. Yvanovich (skip); Arthur Ribeiro, G. Guterres, M. Mendonca, M. F. Alarcon (skip); F. P. Sequeira, R. A. Campos, H. M. Xavier, M. F. Pinna (skip).

**POLICE R.C.**  
First Division (v. K.C.C., Away):—W. McLeod, W. S. Dall, W. Harris and J. Shepherd (Skip); C. H. Gough, E. G. Post, C. Pile and W. Mair (Skip); W. Cameron, J. Forrest, J. Orem and J. C. S. Fender (Skip). Reserves:—J. Willerton and J. Headridge.

Hong Kong and Kowloon Residents' Union will hold their fourth swimming gala at Lanchukok on Saturday, commencing at 7.30 p.m.

In a hockey match at Shamshulpo on Saturday last H.Q. Company Middlesex Regiment shared eight goals with Khalsa.

"Kid" Souza, a Portuguese boxer, was wounded in a Shanghai cabaret on July 19, when he was fired on by terrorists who attempted to bomb the cabaret, according to a "China Press" report.

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### Waited 15 Years

Although Craig Wood is recognised as one of the most consistent golfers among the top flight over a number of years, it is not generally realised that this player had to wait 15 years before he won the National Open. And that in his 40th year.

Wood has been on the verge of big titles for a number of years, but the crown always proved too elusive. His 264 under adverse conditions at Fort Worth recently marked the third successive year that he finished under 300. In 1924 he finished 299 in 1940. Denny Shute beat him in a play-off for the British Open in 1938. Horton Smith defeated him by a stroke with 204 in the Masters tournament in 1934. And Paul Runyan's blazing putter caught him at the 36th hole of a P.G.A. play-off the same year.



## FIVE AT LAST END DECIDES

Four of the postponed Colony Lawn Bowls Pairs Championship Second Round games were decided last evening, outstanding feature of which was the win scored by Harris and Soutar, of Police Recreation Club, over Skyes and Gill, of Kowloon Bowling Green Club.

Scores at the penultimate head in this game were 19-16 in favour of Gill, but a 5 at the last head for Soutar and his partner gave them passage into the Third Round.

### Last Minute Rally

At Kowloon Football Club W. B. Harris and A. Soutar beat L. R. Skyes and J. C. Gill 21-19.

Gill was leading up to the 20th head when the scores stood at 19-16 in his favour, but a five at the last end for the Police pair gave them victory when it appeared that Gill and his partner had as good as qualified for the Third Round.

Gill and Skyes were playing the better brand of bowls, though in the later stages the Police pair improved considerably.

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### Win By 29

D. A. Rosario and J. S. Landolt beat J. H. Gelling and H. G. Wallington 36-7 at Police Recreation Club.

Landolt and his partner were much too good for their opponents who were allowed to score at only 5 ends. Up to the 16th Wallington had only 4, all from singles, but at the next head they scored a 3 only to be blanked for the remaining four heads.

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### Dall's Big Win

W. McLeod and W. Dall beat B. A. Mansell and G. E. Stephens by 30-12 at Civil Service Cricket Club.

The game was too one-sided to be of any interest although the losers promised great things when they started off with a four and then, after having been blanked for three ends in a row, regained the lead, 9-7 at the 7th.

Thereafter, however, the Police pair asserted their superiority and scored another 23 shots while allowing their opponents only three singles.

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### Recreio Pair Up

At Kowloon Cricket Club B. Baato and H. R. Pinna beat J. Hurst and G. E. Turpin by 28-15.

The match was fairly even up to the 13th end when the scores were tied at 12-12, but a 4 at the 16th, followed by 14 0 3 gave the Recreio pair a 10-shot win after scoring at only 9 ends.

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### K.B.G.C. BOWLS RESULTS

Following are the latest lawn bowls tournament results at Kowloon Bowling Green Club:—

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP  
First Round:—T. Coleman beat A. J. Rogers; R. Morrison beat H. Nish.

PRESIDENT'S CUP  
First Round:—L. A. Jordan beat G. Thompson.

VICE-PRESIDENT'S CUP  
First Round:—R. Duncan beat C. E. Langley.

NON-PRIZE WINNERS COMPETITION  
First Round:—A. G. Gardner beat A. J. Rogers; F. C. Cleme beat F. W. Grinter; P. Holloway received a walk-over from P. A. Peckham.

HANDICAP SINGLES  
First Round:—M. Ferguson (scr.) beat W. J. Geall (8); F. Cheesman (2) received a walk-over from R. P. Phillips (scr.); C. E. Turpin (6) beat G. W. Deacon (2).

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## EXCITING BASKETBALL PROMISED

An interesting and hard-fought match should be witnessed at Kowloon Chinese Y.M.C.A. this evening, when Sing Tao, holders of the All-Colony Chinese Basketball League, clash with their strongest rivals in the same League, South China, in the Open Basketball League for the Wu Teh Chen Cup. The match will start at 8.30 p.m.

In the curtain-raiser, at 7.30 p.m., Indian Police will meet the strong National University squad.

## HOLDS 20 CEYLON RECORDS

At a Records Meet held at the Kandy Y.M.C.A. Gymnasium under the auspices of Ceylon Amateur Weightlifters' Association recently T. S. J. Packeer Ally, 9 stone champion of Ceylon, created the following records:

1. Right hand clean and jerk—110½ lbs. record in the 9, 10 and 11 stone classes.
2. Left hand clean and jerk—107 lbs. record in the 9 stone class.
3. Two hands clean and press from behind neck—124 lbs. record in the 9 stone, 10, 11 and 12 stone classes.
4. Two hands clean and jerk from behind neck—184½ lbs. record in the 9, 10, 11 and 12 stone classes.

He also won a first class certificate of merit on the Pull Over and "Press on Back" without Bridge by doing 141 lbs. The record on the "Two hands clean" and "Press from Behind" neck stood at 122 lbs. from 25/5/41 when Winston Pereira (Colombo Samson Institute) established it in the 8 stone class, from which it travelled up to the 12 stone class.

Now Packeer Ally has taken it up from the 9 to the 12 stone classes. The Two Hands clean and jerk from Behind Neck record of 184½ lbs. established by Packeer Ally beats his own record of 161¼ lbs. held by him since April, 1940.

PACKEER ALLY IS NOW THE HOLDER OF 20 CEYLON RECORDS.

## MINIATURE GOLF COURSE NOW OPEN

The "Wee Golf" course at the Ritz, North Point, was officially opened last week and, judging by the number of people who have tried their skill on this 9-hole course, this game is going to prove tremendously popular with both Chinese and foreigners alike.

The holes are very well laid out and, though "it is all a question of angles," going round in par, which is 18, is not as easy as it may first appear.

The management have fixed a maximum of 5 shots for each hole, with a penalty of 2 for anybody who cannot negotiate the obstacles in five attempts, this being in order to ensure that there will be no "traffic jam" on the course.

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## UGLY SCENE IN INTERNATIONAL SOCCER MATCH

Clydeside took a couple of hours off from the war on Saturday, (May 3) and went back to work the better for the break, Mr. Bevin, writes L. V. Manning.

I should say the crowd at Hampden was the biggest assembled on any football ground since the first sirens—over 80,000—but the correct figures are still hush-hush. This is not yet official.

If the receipts are far short of £10,000 I'll be surprised, and all the profits go to some charity. The match was free of tax, so there will be big money to divide.

Which brings me to a grouse which is mine—not the players. When war blew contracts sky

high few workers were hit so harshly—unfairly is a better word—as the football professional.

### Opportunity Missed

That has not prevented the victims generously answering the charity match call on countless occasions and they have been told over and over again they would not be forgotten.

Before the match the English players were informed they would be paid the same as the Scots—£2.

It is my opinion that both the Scottish and English F.A. have missed an opportunity of recognising in a practical way the services of men who not only made this match worthy of a big crowd but have done something important for the game's shaded future.

### Tale Of A Shirt

Moreover there was a lot of avoidable irritation caused in the English dressing room by the decision not to allow the team to keep their shirts, a usual concession in international matches and one which on Saturday would have been particularly appreciated by the young players making their first appearance at Hampden. Such gestures cost little but mean much.

### Ugly Incidents

How seriously the players took the match, well won 3-1 by England, found expression unfortunately in an

ugly attack late in the game on the fallen English goalkeeper which should have earned more than a caution for Venters, and was followed by incidents in which only Walker of the Scottish forwards escapes criticism so far as I am concerned.

Bacuzzi and Cullis were happily checked by the English captain from giving too free expression to their indignation.

It is up to the Scottish F.A. to take the disciplinary action the regrettable outburst demands.

### Don Does It Again

Don Welsh put up something of a record by scoring his sixth goal for England in two weeks. Swift dived late when Venters scored Scotland's goal. Mannion top class if he could grow a bit, Bacuzzi better than I thought he was. Poor Scotland team, but there's always Dawson.

A meeting of the soccer section of Hong Kong Football Club will be held in the Clubhouse at 6 p.m. this evening.

Members of Hong Kong Police Rifle Club have their own miniature range at the back of Central Police Station, and it is here that the team fires off its postal matches in the Miniature Rifle League. It is only a 20-yard range and for that reason the targets used by members of the Police team are smaller than those in use by other clubs who have a 25-yard range.

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# ATTEMPT TO CAPTURE MOSCOW ABANDONED?

## Russo-German War Enters On New Phase

### Nazi Morale

### Shaken

## ONE HUGE HORROR

"This war is the thirstiest of all wars. We thirst for so much as one hour without the noise of battle, for a strip of summer road which does not smell of burning and death."

This extract from a German soldier's letter, written from the eastern front, is quoted by the Berlin correspondent of the Zurich newspaper "Bund."

"But all this is trifling besides the thirst for water to drink and wash in. This is the worst war Germany has had to fight."

"It is a war to win or perish against soldiers who fight with desperate obstinacy, even in hopeless situations."

THE WRITER SUMMARISES IN ONE SENTENCE: "WAR IN RUSSIA, MORE THAN ANY WHERE ELSE, IS ONE HUGE HORROR."—REUTER.

## Nazis Still Hope For Soviet Collapse

"THE LATEST GERMAN STATEMENTS SHOW THAT THE GERMANS HAVE GIVEN UP THE INTENTION OF PUSHING DIRECTLY TO MOSCOW AND OF ADVANCING DEEP INTO RUSSIA, AND ARE TRYING TO EFFECT TACTICAL SUCCESSES WITHIN THE GENERAL TURMOIL," SAYS THE ZURICH "NATIONAL ZEITUNG."

"This does not correspond with expectations raised at the beginning of the war after the relatively easy capture of Russian frontier areas."

"Their communications, stretching over hundreds of kilometres, continually threatened by systematic enemy guerrilla action, interrupted at dozens of places and bombed by a still very active enemy air force, the Germans' problem is to maintain coherence between their advanced posts and bases," the newspaper continues.

"That means a great loss of time. Delay is of great advantage to Britain in putting the last touches to the island's defences and in carrying out air attacks against the German armament industry," it concludes.

### Nazi Hope

The Berlin correspondent of the "Basler Nachrichten" says that German military experts are

hoping that the fighting on the eastern front, like the Somme and Aisne battles of the last war, will end with a sudden enemy collapse.

The correspondent, however, adds these experts admit the comparison is limited because Soviet Russia, unlike France, still disposes of enormously great and intact reserves.—Reuter.

### Heavy Fighting

The following communique was issued in Moscow early this morning by the Soviet Information Bureau:—

"During July 29, our troops were engaged in the Novotzhevo, Smolensk and Zhitomir directions. There was particularly heavy fighting in the Smolensk direction where our units dislodged the enemy from his position with a succession of counter-attacks. The enemy suffered heavy losses."

"On the remaining sectors of the front there was scouting activity and engagements of a local character."

"Our aircraft, in cooperation with the land forces, delivered blows at enemy units at various points. During July 27 and 28 our air force brought down 74 German planes. Our losses were 51 planes."

"During an air raid on Moscow on the night of July 28 the Germans lost 10 planes and not nine as previously reported." — Reuter.

### Exhausting Themselves

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Moscow formally announces that the two main German offensives, aimed at Moscow and Kiev, are "breaking" in the face of mighty Soviet counter-assaults.

It is claimed that the Nazi drives on Leningrad and Odessa are exhausting themselves under unyielding Russian resistance.

The Red High Command intimates the Russian armies are developing a counter-offensive. The Russians are reported to be "energetically counter-attacking inflicting heavy losses on the enemy" at Smolensk and Zhitomir.—International News Service.

## NEW MINISTER IN KABUL

The appointment of Sir Francis Verner Wyllie as Minister at Kabul when the present Minister, Lt.-Col. Sir Kerr Fraser-Tyler, vacates the position, has been approved by the King, announces the Foreign Office in London.

Sir Francis was Governor-General of Central Provinces and Berar from 1938 to 1940.—Reuter.

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## TURKISH PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The Ankara correspondent of the National Broadcasting Corporation reports that Turkish ships have been ordered to remain in Turkish waters.—International News Service.

## BEGINNING OF END

Mr. Wendell Willkie, in an interview in Chicago yesterday, expressed the opinion that if the Russians held out until September it would mark the beginning of the end of Hitler.

He believed then that Germany's defeat would be more rapid than most people expected, assuming that the Russians stopped the Nazi drive.—Reuter.

## READY TO DESTROY OILFIELDS

"In the case of an extreme urgency, oil wells and refineries in the Dutch East Indies would be effectively destroyed," was the statement made by M. Loudon, Dutch Minister in Washington, yesterday.

M. Loudon was addressing representatives of the press while waiting to confer with Mr. Sumner Welles, U.S. Under-Secretary of State.

"ALL MEASURES HAVE BEEN TAKEN FOR SOME TIME AND CAN BE PUT INTO EFFECT IMMEDIATELY TO ENSURE THE COMPLETE DESTRUCTION OF OIL FIELDS AND REFINERIES."

"There will be no hesitation in the destruction of the oil industry in the island if we are forced to do so."

M. Loudon conferred with Mr. Welles on developments in the Far East, with particular reference to the dangers threatening the Dutch East Indies. He refused to comment on the general situation to the press.—Reuter.

## STOP PRESS

VERY HEAVY TROOP MOVEMENTS NORTHWARD FROM TIENSIN ARE REPORTED IN PRIVATE FOREIGN REPORTS RECEIVED IN SHANGHAI TO-DAY.

IT IS STATED THAT OVER 50,000 CHINESE LABOURERS HITHERTO HAVE BEEN CONSCRIPTED BY THE JAPANESE MILITARY AUTHORITIES FOR DEFENCE WORK ON THE SIBERIAN BORDER.—REUTER.

A Naval officer, Sub-Lt. J. P. Heatley, the "China Mail" understands, was drowned while on patrol duty on board a warship off Hong Kong yesterday.

Sub-Lt. Heatley fell overboard and despite a lengthy search the body was not recovered.

An official statement issued this afternoon by the local Naval authorities says:—

"The Naval Authorities regret to announce that on July 29th Sub-Lt. J. P. Heatley, R.N.R., was lost overboard from one of H.M. ships while at sea."

"The loss of this officer will be inquired into in the usual manner."

A typhoon was reported at 9 o'clock this morning to be east of the Visayan Island travelling west or west-north-west.

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